

2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5096

Commending the Greater Merrifield Business Association.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, June 12, 2014

Agreed to by the Senate, June 12, 2014

WHEREAS, the Greater Merrifield Business Association, a nonprofit organization that unites local businesses and works to enhance the Merrifield community, celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2014; and

WHEREAS, founded by a group of concerned businesses and landowners in 1984, the Greater Merrifield Business Association offers networking opportunities for businesses, acts as a community advocate, and promotes the many ways residents and visitors can live, play, work, eat, and shop in Merrifield; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Merrifield Business Association gives businesses a voice in local affairs and encourages the exchange of ideas with local, county, and state representatives; members enjoy numerous other benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Merrifield Business Association actively supports the community, hosting an annual silent auction to benefit Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services and providing care packages for foster students entering college; and

WHEREAS, promoting the unique charm of the Merrifield community, the Greater Merrifield Business Association also hosts the Taste of Merrifield and Merrifield Fall Festival each year; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Merrifield Business Association played an integral role in the development of the Mosaic District mixed-use center; the project comprises a luxury movie theater, boutique shops and restaurants, and apartments and townhouses, all within walking distance of the Dunn Loring-Merrifield Metro Station; and

WHEREAS, with the help and hard work of the members of the Greater Merrifield Business Association, the Mosaic District will facilitate positive, responsible growth in the community by creating thousands of jobs and drawing new businesses to the area; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Greater Merrifield Business Association on the occasion of its 30th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Billy Thompson, president of the Greater Merrifield Business Association, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's work to make Merrifield one of the premier communities in Fairfax County.

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