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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 121

Offered March 7, 2022

Commending The Birthplace of America, LLC.

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WHEREAS, conceptualized in 2006 by General XO of York County, The Birthplace of America, LLC, has worked diligently to educate, inform, and enlighten residents of and visitors to Virginia about the Commonwealth's unique place in United States history; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, after years of study and discussions with historians and local experts, General XO presented a marketing concept called CITY #1, "The Birthplace of America," to bring attention to the Historic Triangle by recognizing and highlighting Virginia's role in the foundation of America; and

WHEREAS, General XO was commended by the Mayor and Williamsburg City Council for his knowledge and unique perspective; and

WHEREAS, The Birthplace of America, LLC, has sponsored many nonprofit organizations, such as the Youth Aeronautical Education Foundation, Project Discovery, the annual Chickahominy Day, James City County Community Action Agency, and The Howard Baugh Chapter of The Tuskegee Airmen; and

WHEREAS, General XO has engaged with the public at every opportunity, bringing awareness to the beginning history of our great nation with the motto: "Virginia is the Birthplace of America" and continuously promoting the Historic Triangle; and

WHEREAS, General XO and his wife, Aurora XO, established The Birthplace of America, LLC, on December 21, 2020, as a shop in Williamsburg, selling souvenirs and gifts commemorating the founding of the nation in 1607 and increasing awareness of the Historic Triangle and Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, an official Trademark for The Birthplace of America was granted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, The Birthplace of America, LLC, continued to enlighten and educate people all over the world on the undeniable significance Virginia holds in United States history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That The Birthplace of America, LLC, hereby be commended for its continued efforts to promote Virginia on the occasion of its 15th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to General XO, founder of The Birthplace of America, LLC as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's commitment to advocating for and promoting Virginia.

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