

2022 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 97

Commending Chuck Paterakis.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 10, 2022
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 14, 2022

WHEREAS, Chuck Paterakis, co-owner of H&S Bakery in Baltimore, provided baked goods to motorists stranded on Interstate-95 near Fredericksburg during an extreme weather event; and

WHEREAS, in January 2022, a multi-vehicle crash during a severe winter storm resulted in hundreds of vehicles becoming trapped on Interstate-95 near Fredericksburg for more than 24 hours; and

WHEREAS, during the ordeal, two motorists from Ellicott City, Maryland, Casey Holihan and John Noe, noticed a delivery truck for Schmidt Baking Co., a subsidiary of H&S Bakery, a family-owned business that has served the Baltimore community for more than 70 years; and

WHEREAS, Casey Holihan called the company's service number on the back of the truck and subsequently spoke with Chuck Paterakis, who runs H&S Bakery with his three brothers, asking for permission to distribute bread to motorists on the highway; and

WHEREAS, Chuck Paterakis authorized the truck's driver, Ron Hill, to open the truck, and Hill, Holihan, and Noe worked together to organize a group of volunteers that distributed approximately 500 loaves of bread to cars in a two-mile area of the highway; and

WHEREAS, the inspirational joint effort among strangers helped provide nourishment, comfort, and hope to motorists who had been trapped in their vehicles in freezing temperatures for hours; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Chuck Paterakis of H&S Bakery for providing food to motorists stranded near Fredericksburg during a winter storm; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Chuck Paterakis as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his generosity and commitment to service.

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