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Commending The Korea Times.

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WHEREAS, *The Korea Times*, a daily newspaper serving the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2021; and

WHEREAS, *The Korea Times* is one of the oldest and most widely circulated non-English media outlets in the region and an exemplar of minority community print media, with more than 35,000 paid-circulations distributed daily; and

WHEREAS, *The Korea Times* provides an invaluable service to the Korean American community in Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia, keeping its readers up-to-date on current events six days a week, Monday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS, *The Korea Times* acts as a liaison for major U.S.-based newspapers, including *The Washington Post* and *The Baltimore Sun*, sharing with its readers the major stories of the day; and

WHEREAS, *The Korea Times* covers an array of subjects, including local community news, national news, Korean news, the weather, and entertainment and sports news, while featuring weekly special issues under the banners of business and economy, education, health, real estate, travel and entertainment, and life; and

WHEREAS, *The Korea Times* provides a space for local businesses and organizations to advertise, helping them to increase their customer base and to better reach the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, as a leader of the Korean American community in the Greater Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, *The Korea Times* regularly sponsors events that bring people together to celebrate Korean culture; and

WHEREAS, *The Korea Times* has also established a digital platform to facilitate its readers' ability to access the newspaper's content and the articles that matter to them; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that an informed citizenry is the foundation of our democracy, *The Korea Times* has played a vital role in the community for the past 50 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend *The Korea Times* on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to *The Korea Times* as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the newspaper's history and its contributions to the Commonwealth.