

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 769

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A RESOLUTION to honor the organizers and participants in the peaceful gun-rights rally held in Richmond, Virginia.

WHEREAS, on Monday, January 20, 2020, approximately 22,000 proud supporters of the Second Amendment gathered peacefully at the State Capitol in Richmond, Virginia, to oppose legislation that would restrict access to firearms in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, this grassroots effort was led by law-abiding citizens who value their constitutional right to keep and bear arms as expressed in the Second Amendment; and

WHEREAS, these everyday Americans expressed their opposition to the pending anti-gun legislation in an orderly and peaceful manner with no incident of violence; and

WHEREAS, after the rally concluded, several protesters remained in the area to clean up the trash that was left behind so as to protect their message from negative publicity; the residents of Richmond were most appreciative; and

WHEREAS, these patriotic, law-abiding Virginians should be commended for their stalwart support of the Second Amendment and their right to keep and bear arms in the face of unwarranted government interference in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans also proudly support the Second Amendment, understanding that gun ownership among responsible citizens is the best defense against criminal activity, not unconstitutional gun restrictions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the organizers and 22,000 participants in the gun-rights rally held in Richmond, Virginia, who peacefully, but resolutely, expressed their opposition

to anti-gun legislation pending before the Virginia General Assembly without incidence of violence and even augmented their civic engagement that day by hauling their trash away.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.