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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 955

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Commending Lucy E. Denney.

Patrons—Hope, Brink, Ebbin and Englin; Senators: Ticer and Whipple

WHEREAS, Lucy E. Denney, a respected and admired citizen of Arlington, is recognized for her commitment to affordable housing and the entire Arlington community on the occasion of her 80th birthday; and

WHEREAS, born on February 9, 1931, in Shreveport, Louisiana, Lucy Denney has made Arlington County her home since 1959; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Hollins University with a B.A. in history in 1951, Lucy Denney earned an M.A. in history from Stanford University in 1953; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney and her devoted husband, Gerry, have two beloved children, Jane and Charles, and seven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney was employed as an analyst at the Central Intelligence Agency from 1954 until 1959 and later worked in the office of United States Representative Joseph L. Fisher from 1975 until 1980; and

WHEREAS, instilling a sense of community and service to others in her children, Lucy Denney volunteered her time and abundant energies to many Arlington County projects and activities, including as chair of the Arlington Fair Housing Board from 1968 until 1979 and as a member of the Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board, Meals on Wheels, Arlington Street People's Assistance Network, Alliance for Housing Solutions, and Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney has been an active member of Saint George's Episcopal Church since 1967 and has served as a Vestry Member, Food Pantry Volunteer, and member of both the Social Ministry Committee and Outreach Committee; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney was the Arlington County Democratic Committee Headquarters Chairman from 1994 until 2006 and was the Campaign Manager in the majority of the County Board Democratic Elections from 1971 through 2000 in addition to working on numerous other Arlington Democratic campaigns; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney was recognized as an Arlington County Woman of Vision in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney was further recognized with the James B. Hunter III Community Hero Award in 2007 and the Joseph L. Fisher Lifetime Achievement Award in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Denney describes the secret to her long and happy life is maintaining a positive attitude, contributing to programs and organizations that reflect her values, and always making time for her family and large circle of friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Lucy E. Denney, in honor of her 80th birthday, for her numerous accomplishments and their positive impact on the lives of many fellow Arlingtonians; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lucy E. Denney as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for her longtime commitment to affordable housing and her many accomplishments.

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