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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 449

Offered February 24, 2012

*Commending Sara Fartro.*

Patrons—Howell, W.J., Cole, Dudenhefer and Orrock; Senator: Stuart

WHEREAS, Sara Fartro, the president of the Stafford, Virginia-Stafford, England Friendship Association, Inc., is commended for her dedication to Stafford County's Sister Community program; and

WHEREAS, the people of Stafford Borough, England, and Stafford County, Virginia, initiated a sister community relationship in 1991 under the auspices of the Rotary Clubs of the Borough and County; and

WHEREAS, the relationship was memorialized by the signing of a formal charter by the Mayor of Stafford Borough and the chair of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors at the Gatehouse Theater in Stafford Borough on May 15, 1994, and in Stafford, Virginia, on June 22, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Stafford, Virginia-Stafford, England Friendship Association, Inc., was established to foster this relationship, encourage the exchange of ideas and information, coordinate civic visits from time to time, and develop firm foundations for friendship, respect, and understanding between the two communities; and

WHEREAS, Sara Fartro has provided invaluable leadership and guidance to the Stafford, Virginia-Stafford, England Friendship Association, Inc., encouraging mutual understanding and respect between the two communities; and

WHEREAS, the Stafford, Virginia-Stafford, England Friendship Association, Inc., has grown in membership while community participation in the program has increased with civic exchanges taking place every other year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Sara Fartro for her service as the president of the Stafford, Virginia-Stafford, England Friendship Association, Inc.; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Sara Fartro as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and respect for her efforts to promote international goodwill through Stafford County's Sister Community program.

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