HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 188

Commending Patty Heath.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 24, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, January 30, 2014

WHEREAS, Patty Heath has served her community and the Commonwealth for more than 25 years as a small business owner in Newport News and as an active participant in many local civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Patty Heath was the first female State Farm insurance agent on the Virginia Peninsula; currently, she oversees a team of professionals who are dedicated to providing high-quality and courteous service to all clients; and

WHEREAS, a strong interest in her community and the example set by her parents were the catalysts for Patty Heath's involvement in organizations that focus on protecting children, improving the lives of the less fortunate, and promoting the Hampton Roads Region; and

WHEREAS, as the former president of Safehaven, a children's shelter, Patty Heath devoted her time and talents to ensure that some of the Commonwealth's most vulnerable citizens received help and assistance; and

WHEREAS, Patty Heath also is past president of the Newport News Rotary Club and is assistant governor of the regional group, Rotary Club District 7600; she is involved with the Peninsula Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities, the Virginia Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, and the Newport News Family YMCA; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of The College of William and Mary, Patty Heath is proud that her son, Jonathan, and daughter-in-law, Elizabeth, both are very involved with community organizations and share her passion for helping others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Patty Heath for being a successful small business owner and on her many years of service to the people and organizations of the greater Newport News area; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Patty Heath as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and admiration for her many years of work to make the Commonwealth a better place.