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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 177

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Commending Elma Mankin.

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WHEREAS, Elma Mankin, a lifelong resident of Herndon who is an active philanthropist and has contributed immensely to the community, will celebrate her 90th birthday on August 26, 2014; and

WHEREAS, beginning her career as the first secretary at her alma mater, Herndon High School, where she served for five years before beginning a family, she then became the first secretary at Herndon Elementary School where she remained for 25 years; and

WHEREAS, after her daughters were grown, Elma Mankin returned to school and received her associate's degree from Northern Virginia Community College graduating in 1989, summa cum laude, where she discovered a passion for art; and

WHEREAS, although art remains a hobby of hers, Elma Mankin's true calling has always been volunteering, an area in which she has helped make a difference in other's lives for numerous decades; and

WHEREAS, sharing her time and talents with many in the community, Elma Mankin has spent countless hours volunteering at many Herndon historical sites and has given over 4,500 hours of her time to Reston Hospital, assisting in the rehabilitation center since 1990; and

WHEREAS, Elma Mankin is also a member of the "Lunch and Fun Bunch," the Herndon Council for the Arts, and the Herndon United Methodist Church, where she has served as greeter and usher, as well as member of the Endowment Committee and History Committee, as well as a lifetime member of the Herndon Historical Society and a member since 1949 of the Herndon Women's Club, where she has served as the club historian and president, and served as Vice President of the Fairfax Federation of Woman's Clubs and treasurer of the Northern District Woman's Club; and

WHEREAS, earning numerous awards and accolades throughout her life, Elma Mankin received the Dr. Frist Humanitarian Award in 1996 and the Herndon Mayor's Distinguished Service Award in 1997, was the Herndon Rotary Club "Citizen of the Year" in 2001 where she was crowned Queen of Herndon, and was recognized at the Mayor's Volunteer Appreciation Night for her countless years of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, a proud and devoted family woman, Elma Mankin has lived a long and meaningful life marked by service to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Elma Mankin hereby be commended on the occasion of her 90th birthday; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Elma Mankin as an expression of the House of Delegates' congratulations and admiration for her decades of civic involvement and contributions to the Herndon community.

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