HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91

Commending Doug Downer.

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

WHEREAS, Doug Downer, owner and president of HRI Associates, was selected by the Herndon Rotary Club as the Herndon Citizen of the Year in December 2013; and

WHEREAS, since 1963, the Herndon Rotary Club annually selects as Citizen of the Year an individual who has contributed to improving the community; and

WHEREAS, an exceptional volunteer, Doug Downer has given his time to organizations such as Leadership Fairfax, Volunteer Fairfax, and the Herndon Chamber of Commerce, becoming that organization's youngest president; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, Doug Downer was named Herndon's distinguished volunteer of the year by the

Town of Herndon for his dedicated service to the community; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his extensive volunteer experience, Doug Downer founded Friday Night Live!, an immensely popular outdoor concert series that has brought thousands to downtown Herndon since 1995; and

WHEREAS, under Doug Downer's energetic leadership, Friday Night Live! has blossomed into a wholesome gathering place for people of all ages that promotes the vibrant spirit of the Herndon community and provides a fundraising opportunity for local schools and organizations; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the dedication of founder Doug Downer, Friday Night Live! will celebrate its

20th season of entertaining and uniting the community in May 2014; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Doug Downer hereby be commended on being selected as the 2013 Herndon Citizen of the Year; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Doug Downer as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect and admiration for his devoted service to the Herndon community.