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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 135

Offered February 12, 2014

Commending Carol Ann Bradley.

Patrons—Howell; Delegates: Plum and Rust

WHEREAS, Carol Ann Bradley was honored by the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce and Cornerstones, Inc., with a prestigious 2014 Best of Reston Award in the Individual Community Leader category; and

WHEREAS, the Best of Reston awards honor individuals, organizations, and companies that have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to helping others and improving the lives of people throughout the greater Reston area; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished educator and the longtime principal of Terraset Elementary School, Carol Bradley has worked to prepare countless students for further education, careers, and responsible citizenship; she is remembered by her students as a compassionate mentor who changed their lives for the better; and

WHEREAS, Carol Bradley's concern for all of her students led her to become involved with Educators Then, Now, and Forever and The Links, Inc., organizations that help ensure equal opportunities for all children; and

WHEREAS, though humble and soft-spoken, Carol Bradley has left her mark on many local organizations, including the Friends of Reston Regional Library, the American Association of University Women, the Greater Reston Arts Center, and the Southgate Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Carol Bradley has also touched many lives internationally as a member of the board of directors for Global Camps Africa, an organization that encourages self-development and supports young people with AIDS in South Africa; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to supporting vulnerable members of the community, Carol Bradley is a longtime volunteer at Embry Rucker Homeless Shelter, where she served on the 2012 steering committee for the Walks to End Homelessness program and worked to ensure its success; she personally organized activities and participation by students from the Hutchison Elementary School summer program; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Reston Community Center Board of Governors, Carol Bradley helped the center grow into an integral community asset; she encouraged new partnerships across a wide variety of community initiatives to help as many of her fellow Reston residents as possible, and her leadership was essential to helping many nonprofit organizations thrive; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Carol Ann Bradley for her inspirational work to better the Reston community and on her well-deserved honor as a 2014 Best of Reston Award recipient in the Individual Community Leader category; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Carol Ann Bradley as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her selfless efforts to uplift, motivate, guide, and help others.

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