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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 83

Offered January 9, 2014

Commending Wylie Gibson Raab.

Patrons—Puller; Delegate: Albo

WHEREAS, Wylie Gibson Raab has served the Commonwealth of Virginia with honor and distinction as First Regent of Gunston Hall; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Wylie Raab has spent many years working to preserve our nation's great heritage in her home state and in the Commonwealth of Virginia; both places played prominent roles in the Colonial and Revolutionary eras, and continue to do so today; and

WHEREAS, a careful stewardship and appreciation of the past helps develop civic responsibility and engagement; to that end, Wylie Raab has served as a member of the National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, in that capacity, Wylie Raab was chosen in 2004 to be the Pennsylvania Regent of Gunston Hall and was confirmed in 2005 by Virginia Governor Mark Warner; and

WHEREAS, Gunston Hall, which is in Fairfax County, was the home of George Mason, an influential statesman during the Revolutionary era; the house, which is a stellar example of Georgian architecture, is owned by the Commonwealth of Virginia and administered by the National Society of The Colonial Dames of America; and

WHEREAS, Wylie Raab, who was reappointed to the Board of Regents in 2009, became First Regent of Gunston Hall that year; during her tenure as leader of the board, she has been admired for her positive attitude and her commitment to Gunston Hall; and

WHEREAS, Wylie Raab has chaired numerous committees, and in that capacity she is known for her ability to listen to and respect differing points of view, and her efforts to secure wise stewardship and guidance of Gunston Hall, helping to ensure a bright future for one of Virginia's historic treasures; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Wylie Gibson Raab for her leadership of Gunston Hall and her commitment to our great nation's storied history; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Wylie Gibson Raab as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and admiration for her many years of service to Gunston Hall.

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