SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 362

Commending Elaine K. Echols.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 19, 2015 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 24, 2015

WHEREAS, Elaine K. Echols of Stuarts Draft, the principal planner for Albemarle County, was named a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) is the nation's leading institute for the education and certification of professional planners; it provides leadership in the areas of ethics, professional development, and standards of practice in community planning; and

WHEREAS, Elaine Echols was named a Fellow of the AICP for her contributions to the planning field and exceptional achievements in professional practice, teaching and mentoring, research, public and community service, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, with more than 30 years of experience in the field, Elaine Echols has promoted inclusiveness, education, and good planning practices in Texas and the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Elaine Echols helped enhance the Albemarle County community through her nationally recognized Neighborhood Model of urban design; she also designed plans for bikeways and walkways that have made Blacksburg safer for pedestrians and cyclists; and

WHEREAS, a devoted volunteer and a trusted mentor and teacher, Elaine Echols works to impart her knowledge and experience to students and fellow planning commissioners through classes and presentations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Elaine K. Echols on her selection as a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners in 2014; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Elaine K. Echols as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to Albemarle County and leadership in the planning field.