

## 2016 SESSION

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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 148

*Commending Rebecca T. Dickson.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 26, 2016

WHEREAS, not only elected officials, but employees of government who serve at the behest of elected officials, bear large responsibilities for the benefit of the citizens of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, for a majority of the local jurisdictions of the Commonwealth, no public employee bears larger responsibilities, or accomplishes more of merit, than a County Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the people of Goochland County have been well and admirably served through six years of diligent labor by County Administrator Rebecca T. Dickson; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca "Becky" T. Dickson will conclude a long and distinguished career in public service with her retirement as Goochland's County Administrator on April 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Becky Dickson began her career in Chesterfield County in August 1990 as Capital Finance Administrator; she was promoted to the position of Assistant Director of Budget and Management in 1996, to the position of Director of Budget and Management in 1997, and to the position of Deputy County Administrator for Human Services in 2006; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Becky Dickson was hired as County Administrator for Goochland County; and

WHEREAS, Becky Dickson has overseen all aspects of Goochland County's fiscal operations, including fiscal policies and practices, the capital investment program, economic development, annual operating budgets, and bond refunding for the Tuckahoe Creek Utility Service District; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating exceptional leadership, Becky Dickson was instrumental in Goochland County's earning a AAA bond rating from Standard & Poor's in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Becky Dickson has contributed incalculably to further successes of Goochland County governance by hiring capable and skilled staff, overseeing strategic planning and legislative priorities, informing and involving the community in decisions about public matters, and being involved in virtually every facet of county government; and

WHEREAS, Becky Dickson has demonstrated loyalty to Goochland County and a steadfast dedication to the best interests of the citizens of Goochland County; and

WHEREAS, Becky Dickson received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Management from Virginia Commonwealth University in 1983 and is a credentialed Manager Candidate through the International City/County Management Association; and

WHEREAS, Becky Dickson is immediate past president of the Virginia Local Government Managers Association, attended both the Senior Executive Institute at the University of Virginia and Leadership Metro Richmond, and is certified in the Malcolm Baldrige quality criteria for business and government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Rebecca T. Dickson hereby be commended on the occasion of her retirement as County Administrator for Goochland County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Rebecca T. Dickson as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her generous and devoted service to the residents of Goochland County and the surrounding area and best wishes to her in a well-earned retirement.

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