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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 936

Offered February 13, 2017

Commending Judy A. Brannock.

Patrons—O'Quinn, Kilgore, Morefield and Pillion

WHEREAS, Judy A. Brannock retired as executive director of the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce in 2016, after 15 exemplary years of service to the Southwest Virginia business community; and

WHEREAS, the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce is a regional organization dedicated to improving the economic climate of the localities it represents: Carroll County, Grayson County, the City of Galax, and the Townships of Hillsville, Independence, and Fries; and

WHEREAS, through the dedication and diligent work of Judy Brannock, the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce created a stronger business community in the region by supporting industry, agriculture, tourism, and education in and around Carroll and Grayson Counties; and

WHEREAS, Judy Brannock's activities as executive director were as varied as helping entrepreneurs write business plans, recruiting members, keeping the organization financially sound, and overseeing the annual Smoke on the Mountain state barbecue championship sponsored by the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, because of Judy Brannock's guidance and leadership over the past 15 years, the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce has not only survived but thrived, even as many similar organizations in Southwest Virginia have closed their doors or consolidated due to economic hardship; and

WHEREAS, while Judy Brannock will miss her colleagues and all of the people she has worked with through the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce, in retirement she will enjoy spending more time with her family, especially her grandsons; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Judy A. Brannock on her retirement as executive director of the Twin County Regional Chamber of Commerce, after 15 exemplary years of service; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Judy A. Brannock as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her dedication to promoting economic growth and expanding tourism in Southwest Virginia.

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