## 17105379D HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 959

Offered February 14, 2017

Commending Steven L. Mitchell.

Patrons—Boysko; Senator: Wexton

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WHEREAS, Steven L. Mitchell provided able leadership to the residents of Herndon as a member of the Herndon Town Council from 2014 to 2016; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Herndon, Steven Mitchell gave his time, knowledge, and expertise to serve the town and its citizens, and he represented the town as a member of the Inter-Jurisdictional Committee; and

WHEREAS, Steven Mitchell's fluency in the Spanish language, which he gained through education, teaching, and experience, was a great asset to the Herndon Town Council, helping to ensure that all residents had a voice in local government; and

WHEREAS, during his time on the Herndon Town Council, Steven Mitchell was instrumental in numerous town projects and improvements, including the Herndon Metrorail Station Area planning projects and the town's purchase of privately owned land to facilitate the Downtown Redevelopment Project; and

WHEREAS, Steven Mitchell also oversaw numerous road and intersection projects, such as those on Station Street, Park Avenue/Monroe Street, and Herndon Parkway/Van Buren Street, as well as development at Junction Square and the Historic Downtown Streetscape; and

WHEREAS, during Steven Mitchell's tenure, the Herndon Town Council implemented lighting on the Washington and Old Dominion Trail, historic marker and gateway signs, automated water meter reading, the elimination of the physical town vehicle decal, and the designation of Veterans Day as a town holiday; and

WHEREAS, Steven Mitchell will seek new opportunities to serve the community after completing his loyal and dedicated service to his fellow residents as a member of the Herndon Town Council; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Steven L. Mitchell for his service as a member of the Herndon Town Council; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Steven L. Mitchell as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his dedicated service and many contributions to the Herndon community.