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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 977

Offered February 15, 2017

*Commending Elizabeth Daggit Haynes.*

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WHEREAS, Elizabeth Daggit Haynes, a distinguished veteran of the United States Air Force and an active resident of Springfield, received the Congressional Gold Medal for her service as a cadet in the Civil Air Patrol in World War II; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth "Libby" Daggit Haynes graduated from George Washington High School in Alexandria, then trained as a nurse in Richmond and helped protect the skies over the United States during World War II as a member of the Civil Air Patrol, which is now the civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, after the war, Libby Haynes graduated from George Washington University and enlisted in the United States Air Force; she attended Officer Candidate School and was assigned to the weather station at Kelly Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, Libby Haynes was assigned to the Air Weather Service at Andrews Air Force Base, studied meteorology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and became a flight forecaster at Pepperrell Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, Libby Haynes retired from active service to raise her family, then returned to the work force in 1975 as an oceanographer with the National Marine Fisheries Service, where she studied the effects of climate conditions on commercial species of fish and worked on regulations governing fisheries; and

WHEREAS, a life member of the American Legion, Libby Haynes was a founding member of American Legion Greenspring Post 123, and she has volunteered her time with numerous other civic and service organizations; and

WHEREAS, Libby Haynes received the Congressional Gold Medal at a special ceremony at Greenspring Retirement Community in Springfield on October 8, 2016; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Elizabeth Daggit Haynes on receiving the Congressional Gold Medal for her service during World War II; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Elizabeth Daggit Haynes as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her service to the Commonwealth and the nation.

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