SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 147

Commending Meredith Polk.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 16, 2017

WHEREAS, Meredith Polk, an esteemed resident of Richmond, was named as a distinguished finalist in the 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program for her generous work to support people with multiple sclerosis; and

WHEREAS, the Spirit of Community Awards, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across the country who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to the service of others; as a distinguished finalist, Meredith Polk earned an engraved bronze medallion; and

WHEREAS, Meredith Polk, a senior at Maggie L. Walker Governor's School, earned the prestigious national award as the founder and president of Miles of Scarves, which has raised more than \$40,000 for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society by knitting and selling scarves; and

WHEREAS, under Meredith Polk's leadership, Miles of Scarves has sponsored a rest stop at the Richmond Bike MS event, provided scholarships and holiday gifts to families affected by multiple sclerosis, and donated to research projects; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Commonwealth and the vitality of American society depend largely on the dedication of young people like Meredith Polk, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Meredith Polk hereby be commended on being named as a distinguished finalist in the 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Meredith Polk as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for her volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit and best wishes for her future endeavors.