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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 295

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Commending the New Dominion Women's Club.

Patrons—Murphy, Adams, D.M., Convirs-Fowler, Delaney, Gooditis, Hope, Hurst, Krizek, Lindsey, Lopez, Plum, Rasoul, Simon, Sullivan, Turpin and Tyler; Senators: Howell and Saslaw

WHEREAS, the New Dominion Women's Club, a McLean-based civic organization with a long history of community involvement, volunteer service, and fellowship, celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the New Dominion Women's Club was founded in 1968 by eight civic-minded women; in 1991, the club joined the Virginia chapter of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, an international organization devoted to community improvement through volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, today, the 40 members of the New Dominion Women's Club support arts, conservation, education, and other causes in McLean through special fundraising events such as the Arts Night Out, the Spring Fling Fashion Show, and Cocktails for a Crowd; and

WHEREAS, each year, the New Dominion Women's Club chooses at least four nonprofit organizations to serve as beneficiaries of its fundraisers; in 2016 - 2017, the group raised more than \$20,000 for the McLean Project for the Arts, Share of McLean, Friends of Historic Pleasant Grove, and the Safe Community Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the New Dominion Women's Club also conducts service projects and outreach with Share of McLean, Reading Is Fundamental in partnership with the Falls Church-McLean Children's Center, the Dolley Madison Library book donation project, the McLean Project for the Arts' annual MPAartfest children's art walk, and the Adopt-a-Highway program; and

WHEREAS, in past years, the New Dominion Women's Club has also organized an annual craft night at Langley Residential Support Services, a Thanksgiving meal at the teen shelter Second Story, and monthly Meals on Wheels deliveries; and

WHEREAS, the New Dominion Women's Club's dedication to community improvement has seen the organization honored as the 2013 Volunteers of the Year and the 2004 Outstanding Nonprofit Organization of the Year by the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, as part of its 50th anniversary celebration, the New Dominion Women's Club has set a goal of raising \$5,000 to benefit the McLean Community Center; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the New Dominion Women's Club on its many years of service to the residents of McLean on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the New Dominion Women's Club as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its long commitment to supporting charitable causes in the community.

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