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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 172

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Commending Lynne Doughtie.

Patrons—Sturtevant; Delegate: Ware

WHEREAS, Lynne Doughtie, a Powhatan County resident and a respected accounting and consulting leader who serves as chairman and chief executive officer of the firm KPMG LLP, was named to *Fortune* magazine's "Most Powerful Women" list in 2017; and

WHEREAS, a native of Powhatan, Lynne Doughtie, the daughter of Kenneth and Charlotte Martin, graduated from Gill School in Chesterfield County; in her youth, she developed an interest in accounting while helping her mother balance the books for Shenandoah Refuse, the family's trash pickup company; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Lynne Doughtie graduated from Virginia Tech with a bachelor's degree in accounting; that same year, she began working in Richmond as an auditor with the accounting and professional services firm KPMG; and

WHEREAS, Lynne Doughtie married her husband, Ben, also a Virginia Tech graduate, in 1986; they have two children, Schuyler Doughtie and Evie Doughtie, also Virginia Tech graduates; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Lynne Doughtie's accounting acumen and leadership skills saw her named KPMG's United States chairman and chief executive officer; by taking the helm of the company and its over 30,000 employees, she became the first female chairman of one of the "Big Four" accounting firms; and

WHEREAS, under Lynne Doughtie's leadership, KPMG's fortunes have continued to trend upward; the company's revenues approximated \$9 billion in fiscal 2017; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Lynne Doughtie was named to *Fortune* magazine's "Most Powerful Women" list for the third consecutive year; her appearance on the 50-person list places her in the top tier of business leaders and executives in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Lynne Doughtie's other honors include being named to *Consulting* magazine's "Top 25 Consultants" and "Top Women Leaders in Consulting"; she is also a past president of the advisory board for Virginia Tech's Pamplin College of Business and serves as a board member for the lung cancer research and education nonprofit the LUNgevity Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Lynne Doughtie is on the board of NAF, a nonprofit organization that works to ensure high school students are college, career, and future ready; she is a lifelong member of Bethel Baptist Church in Midlothian and supports its ministry, Charlotte Food Pantry, named for her mother, Charlotte Martin; and

WHEREAS, a longtime advocate for women in the workplace, Lynne Doughtie plays a key role in KPMG's Women's Leadership Summit, a program focused on preparing women for upper management positions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Lynne Doughtie on being named to *Fortune*'s "Most Powerful Women" list; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lynne Doughtie as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her impressive achievements and best wishes for continued success.

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