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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 177

Offered February 23, 2018

Commending the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation.

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WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation, a nonprofit organization that administers the philanthropic activities of Northwest Federal Credit Union, was honored by the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce and Cornerstones, Inc., with a prestigious 2018 Best of Reston Award; and

WHEREAS, the Best of Reston awards honor individuals, organizations, and companies that have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to helping others and improving the lives of people throughout the Greater Reston area; and

WHEREAS, for more than a decade, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has helped young people achieve their academic goals through a scholarship program that has awarded more than \$1 million in college scholarships to more than 250 students; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation helps build financial literacy among high school students through its Reality Store budgeting simulation and leads discussions on good decision making during Ethics Day at South Lakes High School; the organization has also dedicated more than 2,200 hours to mentorship of elementary school students; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has helped deliver more than 2,500 meals through Meals on Wheels and supports individuals transitioning from Embry Rucker Community Shelter to independent living by teaching them about budgeting and other life skills; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation hosts an annual Night of Magic at Inova Children's Hospital, which offers fun activities and fellowship for children with serious illnesses, and it has made donations to the Inova Cares Clinic for Children; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has received numerous awards and accolades from the Virginia Credit Union League, Fairfax County Public Schools, and many other organizations for its social responsibility and good corporate citizenship; and

WHEREAS, fostering a strong sense of community, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation collaborates with individuals, corporate partners, and other organizations to fulfill its mission to support young people, veterans, and vulnerable Reston residents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation for its contributions to the members of the Reston community and on its well-deserved honor as a 2018 Best of Reston Award recipient; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's enduring commitment to making Reston a special place to live, work, and play.

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