2018 SPECIAL SESSION I

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 644

Commending Lynda Stuart.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, May 30, 2018

WHEREAS, in 2018, Lynda Stuart retired as manager of the beef herd at Stuart Land and Cattle Company in Rosedale after 44 years of innovative leadership; and

WHEREAS, learning the value of hard work and responsibility at a young age, Lynda Stuart was raised on a dairy farm in California and was active in 4-H programs; she gained experience in the agriculture industry at national and international levels as an advertiser for an artificial breeding company; and

WHEREAS, Lynda Stuart joined Stuart Land and Cattle Company after she married into the Stuart family in 1974; established 200 years prior in 1774, Stuart Land and Cattle Company is the oldest cattle operation in the United States and one of the oldest continuously operating family-owned businesses in the country and the world; and

WHEREAS, with her background in agricultural research, Lynda Stuart has helped Stuart Land and Cattle Company thrive as a production-driven business that is responsive to consumers' needs; and

WHEREAS, Lynda Stuart also promoted the use of innovative technology and techniques such as artificial insemination and electronic identification and the use of scales, genomics, and proactive herd health programs; and

WHEREAS, a trailblazer for other women leaders in agriculture, Lynda Stuart has earned respect and admiration for her professionalism, hard work, and expertise; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Lynda Stuart hereby be commended on the occasion of her retirement as manager of the beef herd at Stuart Land and Cattle Company; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lynda Stuart as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her contributions to the Rosedale community and the agricultural industry in the Commonwealth. HR644ER