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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1015

Offered February 17, 2019

Commending the Arlington Area Agency on Aging.

Patrons—Hope, Levine, Lopez and Sullivan; Senators: Ebbin, Favola and Howell

WHEREAS, the Arlington Area Agency on Aging, part of the Arlington County Aging and Disability Services Division in the Department of Human Services, has played a vital role in helping local residents age with dignity by providing education, advocacy, and support for more than four decades; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Arlington Area Agency on Aging is to promote the maximum level of independence for persons 60 years of age and older, and to ensure that older Arlington residents live as an integral part of society, with access to programs and services that meet their needs and preferences; and

WHEREAS, to that end, the Arlington Area Agency on Aging offers numerous programs, including an improved meal delivery program and community engagement events; the Division's Aging and Disability Resource Center delivers services using an integrated services model in a person-centered, supportive way, which fosters collaboration and provides a continuum of care for older adults so that they may age in place; this year, Arlington also earned an AARP Age-Friendly Community designation; and

WHEREAS, the Arlington Area Agency on Aging utilizes county services to serve elderly residents and involves numerous volunteers who lead the program Age-Friendly Arlington; and

WHEREAS, the Arlington Area Agency on Aging has won numerous national, state, regional, and local awards recognizing its essential services to older adults, most notably recognition from the National Association of Agencies on Aging Innovation Award in 2018, the Aging Achievement Award in 2017, and a Civic Engagement award in 2015; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Arlington Area Agency on Aging for playing a vital role in helping local residents age with dignity by providing education, advocacy, and support; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Arlington Area Agency on Aging for fostering independence and healthy aging, and improving the quality of life for older adults, their families, and their caregivers through comprehensive programs and services.

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