HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1032

Commending Linda Q. Smyth.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 19, 2019
Agreed to by the Senate, February 21, 2019

WHEREAS, Linda Q. Smyth, Fairfax County Supervisor representing the Providence magisterial district, will retire from public office in 2019; and

WHEREAS, for nearly two decades, Linda Smyth has handled some of Fairfax County's largest and most challenging land use cases; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smyth is a former civic activist and Planning Commission member who was first elected in 2003; she is a Cape Girardeau, Missouri, native who holds a bachelor's degree in history from Washington University and master's and doctoral degrees from University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in her county leadership role, Linda Smyth was immersed for years in the ongoing redevelopments on Tysons and Merrifield and early in her tenure tackled the Fairlee/MetroWest development just south of the Vienna Metro Station; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smyth's civic career began when she and her neighbors opposed having their subdivision, Briarwood, turned into high-rise office buildings and had to learn land use in a crash course to change the course of the development plan; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smyth is known for being practical in her approach and voting consistently with her conscience and in the best interests of the county; she is committed to educating the public about county government processes, land use, the environment, and other related issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Linda Q. Smyth on the occasion of her retirement from public office in 2019 as a Fairfax County Supervisor representing the Providence magisterial district; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Linda Q. Smyth as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her years of exceptional service to the residents of Fairfax County.