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**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 414**

Offered February 21, 2019

*Commending the Mary Baldwin University Alumni Association.*

Patrons—Bell, Richard P. and Landes

WHEREAS, during 2019, Mary Baldwin University in Staunton is celebrating 125 years of its Alumni Association, an organization that includes former students and graduates as members; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1894, the Mary Baldwin University Alumni Association serves to enhance alumni's relationships with one another and with their alma mater, reaching across the years and to locations around the world; and

WHEREAS, alumni serve as ambassadors for Mary Baldwin University in their communities and help support the university's mission, especially those who serve on the Board of Trustees, which is now made up of 66 percent alumni members; and

WHEREAS, through the dedicated support of alumni, Mary Baldwin University has generated significant momentum over the past 12 months, welcoming the largest class of first-year students in its history and receiving legacy gifts of \$26 million; and

WHEREAS, Mary Baldwin alumni positively impact others in their professional and civic roles throughout the Commonwealth and the nation, showing students how they in turn can become the ethical, independent thinkers and leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, during this anniversary, the university recognizes its approximately 16,000 living alumni, and all of the ways in which they bring their Mary Baldwin University education to life as global citizens who achieve professional success and create change for the betterment of their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Mary Baldwin University Alumni Association hereby be commended on the occasion of its 125th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Mary Baldwin University Alumni Association as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for its service to the university and the Staunton community.

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