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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 431

Offered February 21, 2019

Commending 100WomenStrong.

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WHEREAS, for more than 10 years, 100WomenStrong has harnessed the generosity of community members to improve the quality of life for the people of Loudoun County; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, a group of women leaders made a commitment to use their financial resources to help address shelter, health, hunger, and education issues in Loudoun County, forming 100WomenStrong to help meet the needs of less fortunate members of the community; and

WHEREAS, since 100WomenStrong was founded, it has provided more than \$1 million in financial assistance by awarding grants to nonprofit organizations that help people in need in Loudoun County; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, 100WomenStrong awarded grants to A Farm Less Ordinary, A Place to Be, Ability Fitness Center, All Ages Read Together, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington, Children's Science Center, Dulles South Food Pantry, ECHO, EveryMind, Five Stones Institute, Friends of Loudoun Mental Health, HealthWorks, and INMED; and

WHEREAS, 100WomenStrong also supported Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter, Loudoun Habitat for Humanity, Loudoun Hunger Relief, Loudoun Volunteer Caregivers, Northern Virginia Family Service, Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Initiative, Piedmont Environmental Council, Stop Child Abuse Now, Stroke Comeback Center, the New Ag School, the Arc of Loudoun Paxton Campus, the Fenwick Foundation, Windy Hill Foundation, and Women Giving Back; and

WHEREAS, the 100WomenStrong fund is maintained and operated by the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties, a charitable giving and community investment organization, and receives support from many individuals, families, and partner organizations in the region; and

WHEREAS, in fulfilling its mission to enhance the lives of the citizens of Loudoun County and provide strategic support to help address shelter, health, hunger, and education in the county, the members of 100WomenStrong have made a significant impact and helped thousands of their neighbors in countless ways; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That 100WomenStrong hereby be commended on the occasion of its 10th anniversary in 2018; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Karen Schaufeld, president and founder of 100WomenStrong, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's work to support Loudoun County residents and strengthen the community.

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