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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 339

Offered January 30, 2019

*Commending Margaret E. McKeough.*

Patrons—Howell, Barker, Boysko and Marsden; Delegates: Delaney, Hope, Kory, Plum and Roem

WHEREAS, Margaret E. McKeough, the executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, will depart the authority in 2019 after more than 20 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Margaret McKeough has served in management and oversight roles at the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority since 1998, demonstrating an unwavering dedication to the development, promotion, and safe operation of Virginia's two largest airports, Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and Washington Dulles International Airport; and

WHEREAS, as chief operating officer since 2004, Margaret McKeough has continuously worked to improve efficiency, customer orientation, and the level of air service at Reagan National Airport and Dulles International Airport; and

WHEREAS, Margaret McKeough has ably managed corporate relationships with the 38 airlines serving Reagan National Airport and Dulles International Airport; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Margaret McKeough has also directed operations at the Dulles Airport Access Highway and the Dulles Toll Road while construction of the Metrorail Silver Line project, a 23-mile extension of the public transit system through Northern Virginia, is underway in the Dulles Corridor; and

WHEREAS, Margaret McKeough managed emergency preparedness operations at the airports and has been responsible for the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority's Public Safety Division, which includes law-enforcement, fire, and emergency medical response functions, accounting for more than 1,300 employees; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work with the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Margaret McKeough served as the 2018 president of the Aero Club of Washington, one of the nation's oldest and most active aviation industry groups; is on the board of directors of the Airport Cooperative Research Program, an organization sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration to develop solutions to issues facing the industry; and served on the U.S. Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, which advises the U.S. Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to travel and tourism in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Margaret McKeough was honored by *Washingtonian* magazine as one of the "Most Powerful Women in Washington" in 2017; and

WHEREAS, since moving to Virginia in 1998, Margaret McKeough and her family have been an integral part of their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Margaret E. McKeough for her service to the Commonwealth as executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Margaret E. McKeough as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her enduring commitment to planning and actively managing world-class access to the global aviation system in a way that anticipated and served the needs of the National Capital area.

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