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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 129

Offered February 14, 2019

Commending the Honorable Susan Clarke Schaar.

Patrons—Dunnavant, Barker, Black, Boysko, Carrico, Chafin, Chase, Cosgrove, Dance, Deeds, DeSteph, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McDougle, McPike, Newman, Norment, Obenshain, Peake, Petersen, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Sturtevant, Suetterlein, Surovell, Vogel and Wagner

WHEREAS, the Honorable Susan Clarke Schaar was honored for her outstanding public service and distinguished professional accomplishments with a 2019 YWCA Outstanding Women Award; and

WHEREAS, since 1980, YWCA Richmond has celebrated the achievements of eight local women leaders, such as Susan Schaar, whose work has strengthened and enhanced the Richmond community and the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, a Brunswick County native and a graduate of Westhampton College at the University of Richmond, Susan Schaar has served the Senate of Virginia for more than 45 years and was elected Clerk of the Senate of Virginia in 1990; and

WHEREAS, as chief administrative officer of the Senate of Virginia, Susan Schaar has helped ensure the efficient operation of state government and served as a resource for the history and institutional memory of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, among her many accomplishments, Susan Schaar helped oversee the more than \$100 million renovation of the Virginia State Capitol and is currently overseeing construction of the new General Assembly Building; and

WHEREAS, Susan Schaar was also the first Virginian to serve as staff chair of the National Conference of State Legislatures and the first Virginian to serve as president of the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; and

WHEREAS, Susan Schaar joins distinguished colleagues in business, education, health and science, human relations, media and marketing, nonprofit management, and volunteering as a recipient of the prestigious award; and

WHEREAS, Susan Schaar and the other honorees of the 2019 YWCA Outstanding Women Awards will be formally recognized at special ceremony on April 26, 2019; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That the Honorable Susan Clarke Schaar hereby be commended on receiving a 2019 YWCA Outstanding Women Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Chief Deputy Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable Susan Clarke Schaar as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration and gratitude for her decades of service to the Commonwealth.

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