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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 131

Offered February 26, 2020

Commending Janice B. Blakley.

Patrons—Coyner, Adams, D.M., Cox, Robinson and Ware

WHEREAS, Janice B. Blakley retired from the Office of the Clerk to the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors on January 1, 2020, after providing more than 28 years of dedicated service to the residents of Chesterfield County; and

WHEREAS, Janice Blakley joined the Office of the Clerk in October 2007 and ably fulfilled her duties to provide professional support, communications, and record management services to the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors, as well as serve as a vital link between board members, citizens, and other local entities; and

WHEREAS, prior to her appointment as clerk, Janice Blakley worked as a legal secretary in the County Attorney's office and as deputy clerk to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Janice Blakley was instrumental in developing technological advancements to increase efficiency in the Office of the Clerk and spearheaded the creation of numerous informative documents designed to assist citizens and employees; and

WHEREAS, through Janice Blakley's leadership, the Office of the Clerk maintained its excellent reputation as an information hub for Chesterfield County and built cooperative relationships with residents, other governmental and regional organizations, community groups, local nonprofits, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her extraordinary job performance, Janice Blakley was selected as County Administration's Employee of the Year in 2003, 2006, and 2013; and

WHEREAS, Janice Blakley served on the Chesterfield Employees Association for 18 years and was deemed "Miss Volunteer Extraordinaire" by her peers; and

WHEREAS, Janice Blakley received the designation of Certified Municipal Clerk in 2002 and earned the prestigious designation of Master Municipal Clerk in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Janice Blakley was an active member of the Virginia Municipal Clerks Association (VMCA), serving on several committees and as regional director for a number of years; she helped Chesterfield County host the association's annual meeting in 2005 and was nominated as VMCA's Clerk of the Year several times by her peers; and

WHEREAS, Janice Blakley rendered invaluable service to each member of the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors, enabling them to perform their duties more efficiently, and her many acts of kindness, cheerful disposition, and high degree of professionalism will be missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Janice B. Blakley hereby be commended on the occasion of her retirement from the Office of the Clerk to the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Janice B. Blakley as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her contributions to the Chesterfield County community.

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