

2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 641

Commending Charlene Bickford.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021
Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

WHEREAS, Charlene Bickford retired from the Arlington County Electoral Board on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Charlene Bickford served with distinction on the Arlington County Electoral Board for 23 years, including service as board chair; and

WHEREAS, Charlene Bickford served as chair of the Arlington County Democratic Committee for two terms from 1985 to 1987 and 1996 to 2000; and

WHEREAS, over the last four decades, Charlene Bickford has undertaken a wide variety of volunteer jobs for the Arlington County Democratic Committee; and

WHEREAS, Charlene Bickford was an initial member of the Roosevelt Society (now the Roosevelt-Obama Society) and later served as chair, helping the society to develop and provide a steady source of funding for the Arlington County Democratic Committee; and

WHEREAS, Charlene Bickford volunteered for many local Democratic campaigns, including one in 1974, when Democrat Joe Fisher upset long-serving Republican Joel Broyhill to become Arlington's delegate to the United States House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Charlene Bickford served for decades on the kitchen committee, which provided refreshments at Arlington County Democratic Committee functions; and

WHEREAS, in her professional life, Charlene Bickford is a historian who has served for many years as research project director at George Washington University; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Charlene Bickford on the occasion of her retirement from the Arlington County Electoral Board; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Charlene Bickford as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her distinguished service to the Arlington County community.

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