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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 802

Offered August 4, 2021

Commending Linda N. Daniels.

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WHEREAS, Linda N. Daniels, an esteemed educator and active and engaged member of the Chesapeake community, was honored with a lifetime membership to the Women's Division Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce Chesapeake in 2021; and

WHEREAS, with a Bachelor's Degree in elementary education from James Madison University and a Master's Degree in early childhood education from Old Dominion University, Linda Daniels contributed greatly to the success and well-being of countless young people over her 36-year career as an elementary school educator; and

WHEREAS, Linda Daniels devoted the majority of her career to Great Bridge Primary School in Chesapeake, where she began her career in 1961 and was a first grade teacher from 1976 to 2002; and

WHEREAS, Linda Daniels has long served her community through her involvement with various local civic organizations, including the Great Bridge Woman's Club, Chesapeake Friends of the Arts, and the Great Bridge Battlefield and Waterways History Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Linda Daniels has notably held various leadership positions with the Women's Division Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce Chesapeake (WDHRCCC), where her greatest accomplishments include arranging the first room at the Women and Children's Shelter of the Union Mission Ministries in Norfolk and establishing the shelter's successful "Read a Book Leave a Book" program, which helped establish the institution's first library; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout her life by her faith, Linda Daniels has enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community at Great Bridge Presbyterian Church in Chesapeake since 1965, serving the congregation in various leadership roles, including deacon and elder, and guiding the operations of the church's preschool program as both its first director and later as its board chair; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her recent honor from WDHRCCC, Linda Daniels has received numerous awards for her service, including the Great Bridge Primary School Teacher of the Year Award in 1985, the Great Bridge Primary School Parent Teacher Association Life Membership Award in 1985, and the WDHRCCC's Woman of the Year Award in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Linda Daniels' list of accolades is a testament to her unwavering commitment to her community and her contributions to making Chesapeake a wonderful place to live, work, and play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Linda N. Daniels hereby be commended for earning a lifetime membership to the Women's Division Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce Chesapeake; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Linda N. Daniels as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth.