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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 206

Offered February 9, 2022

Commending Nina Janopaul.

Patrons—Hope and Lopez; Senators: Ebbin, Favola and Howell

WHEREAS, in June 2021, Nina Janopaul retired as president and chief executive officer of the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing, one of the top nonprofit affordable housing developers in the nation; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Harvard University, Nina Janopaul was a principal at Capital Strategies Consulting, Inc., and provided comprehensive consulting services to a wide range of clients prior to joining the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing (APAH); and

WHEREAS, Nina Janopaul was selected as president and chief executive officer of APAH in 2007 and has helped the organization grow from only three staff members managing around 500 housing units to a staff of nearly 40 people managing 1,800 housing units with an additional 1,000 units in active development; and

WHEREAS, Nina Janopaul has helped APAH fulfill its mission to build stability throughout Northern Virginia by developing and maintaining high-quality, affordable places to live, as well as creating opportunities and advocating for the people it serves; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as president and chief executive officer, Nina Janopaul has helped APAH overcome financial challenges, including the Great Recession in 2008 and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and maintained a strong commitment to the use of best practices and innovative housing strategies; and

WHEREAS, under Nina Janopaul's leadership APAH has been a leader in energy conservation and green building practices, with one of its apartment buildings becoming the first multifamily, mixed-income property to receive a Silver LEED certification from the U.S. Green Building Council; and

WHEREAS, Nina Janopaul built strong partnerships with faith and nonprofit organizations and civic institutions to create opportunities for residents and promoted diversity, inclusion, and equity in resident communities through engaging programs; and

WHEREAS, Nina Janopaul has offered her insights and leadership expertise to the National Advisory Board for the ULI Terwilliger Center for Housing, the Northern Virginia Advisory Committee of the Virginia Housing Development Authority, the Housing Association of Nonprofit Developers, the Leadership Council and Board of Directors of the Northern Virginia Affordable Housing Alliance, and Virginia Diocesan Homes; and

WHEREAS, among many awards and accolades for her work to provide safe, affordable housing to people in need, Nina Janopaul received the 2013 Innovations in Leadership Award from the Virginia Housing Coalition, and APAH has been ranked as one of the top 50 affordable housing developers in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Nina Janopaul has been a trusted mentor to numerous colleagues throughout her career and nurtured many young leaders, ensuring that APAH is well-poised to continue serving the community after her well-earned retirement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Nina Janopaul on the occasion of her retirement as president and chief executive officer of the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Nina Janopaul as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her professional achievements and legacy of leadership in the field of affordable housing.

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