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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 364

Offered March 4, 2022

Commending Maria Durgan.

Patrons—Lopez, Bennett-Parker and Hope; Senators: Ebbin and Howell

WHEREAS, for six years, Maria Durgan served and advocated for the Penrose community as president of the Penrose Neighborhood Association; and

WHEREAS, Maria Durgan, known better by her childhood nickname "Pete," grew up in Arlington and has a proud, mixed heritage with ancestors from Mexico, Italy, and the British Isles, some of whom can be traced to the settlements at Jamestown and Yorktown; and

WHEREAS, after attending school in Richmond, Pete Durgan worked in health care, first for what is now the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, then the George Washington University Hospital, and finally MMG in Rockville, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Pete Durgan returned to Arlington, witnessing firsthand the significant demographic changes that had taken place in the region, and became active in the community through the Penrose Neighborhood Association; and

WHEREAS, as president of the Penrose Neighborhood Association, Pete Durgan monitored local government actions and strove to keep members informed on relevant issues, and she has overseen the construction of a bike path and has worked to establish a new location for the community's career center, among other projects; and

WHEREAS, outside of her career and community service, Pete Durgan is a talented musician, who was inspired by her father and grandfather to become a bass player, and she is a member of two local bands, the Curbfeelers and NovaZanz; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Maria Durgan for her service as president of the Penrose Neighborhood Association; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Maria Durgan as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her personal and professional achievements.

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