HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 833

Commending Peter F. Murphy.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 21, 2023 Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2023

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2023, Peter F. Murphy stepped down as chair of the Fairfax County Planning Commission after more than three decades of visionary leadership; and

WHEREAS, Peter "Pete" F. Murphy was appointed to the Fairfax County Planning Commission by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors in 1982 and became chair in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Pete Murphy's steady leadership and breadth of expertise helped transform Fairfax County from a residential commuter area to an economic powerhouse that is home to some of the fastest-growing companies in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Pete Murphy has built strong working relationships with local, regional, and state officials, companies and community organizations, land-use experts, and attorneys to fulfill his mission on behalf of the residents of Fairfax County, and he is highly respected and admired by his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, among many awards and accolades for his accomplishments, Pete Murphy has received the Department of the Army Commander's Award for Public Service, the Katherine Hanley Public Service Award, and the Fairfax County Volunteer of the Year award in the Community Leader category; he was also named Lord Fairfax for the Springfield District; and

WHEREAS, outside of his work with the Fairfax County Planning Commission, Pete Murphy has held many other leadership roles on local task forces, committees, and community organizations, including honorary chief of the Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department; and

WHEREAS, a trusted source of institutional knowledge, Pete Murphy will continue to serve as a member of the Fairfax County Planning Commission, providing his mentorship and decades of expertise to his colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Peter F. Murphy for his distinguished service as chair of the Fairfax County Planning Commission; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Peter F. Murphy as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his legacy of contributions to the Fairfax County community.