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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 331

Offered February 14, 2023

Commending Susan V. Cable.

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WHEREAS, Susan V. Cable of Scottsville has made more than 35 years of contributions to the protection of the Commonwealth's natural and historic resources; and

WHEREAS, Susan Cable holds degrees from the University of California at Los Angeles and George Mason University and has cultivated a wide range of experience in project management and strategic planning at the local, state, and federal levels; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Susan Cable began a long career with Fairfax County Park Authority and served the community in various capacities, including as a volunteer coordinator, district naturalist, and program coordinator for the Division of Conservation; among many duties, she initiated the agency's prehistoric archaeology program and conducted analyses to identify environmentally or culturally significant sites in local parklands; and

WHEREAS, from 1987 to 1998, Susan Cable served as a senior planner with the Fairfax County Park Authority's Division of Planning and Development; she oversaw the research, development, and adoption of a comprehensive plan for land acquisition and facility development to ensure that the 16,000-acre park system continued to meet the community's needs; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1980s, Susan Cable also worked for the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service of the U.S. Department of the Interior, managing a nationwide technical assistance program for energy management in state and local parks, and from 1998 to 2000, she served as a consultant to the U.S. National Park Service on the realignment of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Susan Cable founded the Blue Ridge Foothills Conservancy, a nonprofit land trust operating primarily in Madison County and Greene County; she advised the organization on how to best preserve the agricultural, scenic, natural, historic, and recreational resources that define these communities and served as executive director of the organization until 2006 and director of conservation policy until 2010; and

WHEREAS, working with Virginia's United Land Trusts, Susan Cable was instrumental in helping to coordinate a series of regional meetings to identify the priorities and needs of the conservation community, which became the basis for the Heritage Virginia Strategic Plan in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Susan Cable also served on the Virginia Historic Resources Board from 2009 to 2011 and offered her leadership and expertise to numerous other committees, commissions, and roundtables over the years; she earned many awards and accolades for her stewardship of the environment, protection of the Commonwealth's heritage, and commitment to excellence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Susan V. Cable for her contributions to the Commonwealth in environmental conservation and historic preservation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Susan V. Cable as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her personal and professional achievements.

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