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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 428

Offered March 1, 2006

*Commending Marian Van Landingham.*

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WHEREAS, Marian Van Landingham is recognized for her longtime service to the citizens of Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, born in Albany, Georgia, Marian Van Landingham earned her bachelor's degree and master's degree in political science from Emory University, participated in the Washington Semester Program at American University, and has additional education in journalism and the fine arts; and

WHEREAS, Marian Van Landingham worked as a public relations specialist at Emory University and Georgia Tech and as an information specialist for the United States Public Health Service at the National Communicable Disease Center and the National Air Pollution Agency (predecessor to the EPA); and

WHEREAS, Marian Van Landingham generously gives her time and talents to community organizations and has been honored with many awards, including the Legislator of the Year Award by the Virginia Superintendents of Schools, the Legislative Hero Award by the Virginia League of Conservation Voters, the William E. Cole Award by the Alexandria Health Center for Women and Children, the Ann Brownson Award by the Virginia Association of Museums, the Virginia Transit Association Delegate of the Year, the Governor's Award for Anti-Drug Efforts, and many others; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated member of the House of Delegates of Virginia from 1982 to 2005, Marian Van Landingham represented the citizens of the 45th District; she served on the standing committees on Privileges and Elections; Militia, Police, and Public Safety; and Appropriations and patroned significant legislation for her neighbors and the citizens of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Van Landingham served as a member of the Economic Development Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures, and as a former chair of the Budget/Taxation Committee and the Arts and Tourism Committee; and

WHEREAS, Marian Van Landingham served as a legislative member of the Board of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation from 1982 to 2000, and as a legislative appointee to the Commission Studying the Needs of the Physically and Sensory Handicapped, known as the Disability Commission; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure in the legislature, Marian Van Landingham provided leadership on interim studies that led to recommendations and legislation concerning primary and secondary education, higher education, mental health and health care, women's and children's issues, utilities, corrections, law enforcement, drug treatment, and many others; and

WHEREAS, committed to improving the quality of life for all residents of the Northern Virginia community, Marian Van Landingham has been a compassionate and articulate voice regarding the public issues of the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Marian Van Landingham for her valuable service to the citizens of Northern Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Marian Van Landingham as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation for her many accomplishments.

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