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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 64

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Commending Virginia A. Habansky.

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WHEREAS, Virginia A. Habansky, the executive assistant to the Clerk of the Virginia House of Delegates, retired on June 1, 2013, after 29 years of distinguished service to the Virginia House of Delegates and the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Smithdeal-Massey Business College, Virginia Habansky began her career in state government with the Department of Medical Assistance Services; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Habansky ably served as secretary to former Delegate Ralph L. Axselle, Jr., for 10 years and as his legislative assistant during the 1983 through the 1989 Sessions of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 1989, Virginia Habansky joined the Clerk's office as executive secretary to then Clerk Joseph H. Holleman, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, possessed of a pleasant and gracious demeanor, Virginia Habansky served as the "face" of the House Clerk's Office on the third floor of the Capitol, helping members, staff, and the public in a professional and courteous manner; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Habansky warmly welcomed members' spouses and made them feel comfortable around the State Capitol and General Assembly Building; and

WHEREAS, an integral part of the Page Program, Virginia Habansky served as "Page Mother" to many young people over the years; she worked with page coordinators, pages, parents, and teachers to help the pages have a memorable and wonderful experience; and

WHEREAS, known for her keen eye for detail, Virginia Habansky was the "go to" person for business letters and worked closely with the Division of Legislative Services staff on judicial appointments to ensure accurate paperwork; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Habansky worked tirelessly and effectively with other legislative and executive staff for the inauguration of the governor, lieutenant governor, and attorney general every four years; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Habansky represented the Commonwealth with great distinction as an active member of the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; her welcoming personality and radiant smile were bright spots for many new legislative staff to the organization; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Habansky served under Clerks Joseph H. Holleman, Jr., Bruce F. Jamerson, and G. Paul Nardo; and Speakers Albert L. Philpott, Thomas W. Moss, Jr., Lacey E. Putney, S. Vance Wilkins, Jr., and William J. Howell; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Virginia Habansky faithfully and professionally served the members of the Virginia House of Delegates and the citizens of the Commonwealth throughout her career in state government; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Virginia Habansky looks forward to gardening, traveling, and spending time with her family, husband, Bill; children, Teresa, Billy, and Tina; her five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Virginia A. Habansky hereby be commended for her exemplary service to the Virginia House of Delegates and the Commonwealth on the occasion of her retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Virginia A. Habansky as an expression of the House of Delegates' gratitude for her outstanding service and best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

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