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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 320

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Commending Melissa S. Peacor.

Patrons—Anderson, Bell, John J., Dudenhefer, Hugo and Lingamfelter; Senators: McPike, Stuart and Surovell

WHEREAS, in 2016, Melissa S. Peacor retires as county executive for Prince William County after 30 years of dedicated service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Peacor began her career with Prince William County in 1985 in the Planning Office; over the years, she served as the county's first strategic planning coordinator, budget director, assistant county executive, and deputy county executive; and

WHEREAS, after a national search, Melissa Peacor was appointed by the Prince William County Board of Supervisors as county executive in 2010; she has been a staunch advocate for efficient local government and earned recognition from the Government Finance Officers Association for her budgeting initiatives; and

WHEREAS, under Melissa Peacor's leadership, Prince William County earned a AAA bond rating from all three major credit rating agencies for the first time in its history; she oversaw responsible growth that helped to strengthen and enhance the future of Prince William County; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Peacor increased transparency in local government and encouraged citizen input and participation, initiating the county's first citizen-based strategic planning process and an annual citizen survey; and

WHEREAS, earning the respect of both peers and employees, Melissa Peacor built and sustained a positive workplace culture in Prince William County government, with 91 percent of county employees reporting high levels of workplace satisfaction during her tenure; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Peacor strove to inspire a new generation of local government professionals by increasing diversity in county offices and actively encouraging citizens to take part in local government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Melissa S. Peacor on the occasion of her retirement as county executive of Prince William County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Melissa S. Peacor as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her exemplary service to the residents of Prince William County.

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