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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 582

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Commending Rebecca C. W. Adams.

Patrons—Leftwich and Hayes; Senators: Cosgrove and Spruill

WHEREAS, Rebecca C. W. Adams was named the 2016 First Citizen of Chesapeake by the Chesapeake Rotary Club for her commitment to education and generous support of countless charitable causes and community service projects; and

WHEREAS, the First Citizen of Chesapeake award is presented annually to a distinguished member of the Chesapeake community who embodies the Rotary motto of Service above Self; and

WHEREAS, a native of Danville, Rebecca Adams is a passionate lifelong learner who followed in her mother's footsteps as a teacher; she holds degrees from Longwood College, Duke Divinity School, Jackson State University, and The College of William & Mary; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Adams worked as an educator in Chesapeake Public Schools for 36 years and served as an assistant principal at Park Elementary School and principal at Camelot Elementary School and Great Bridge Intermediate School; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Adams is known as a hands-on administrator who cultivated strong relationships with students and their families; she shared her love of learning with her students through creative reading challenges; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Adams strengthens the community as an active member of numerous civic and service organizations, including as chair of the Chesapeake March of Dimes; she has held leadership positions in Habitat for Humanity, Chesapeake Care Clinic, Chesapeake Regional Health Foundation, Chesapeake Boys and Girls Club, Paint Your Heart Out, Hampton Roads Salvation Army, and Chesapeake NAACP; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Adams supported her sons and other young men in the community as a leader in the Boy Scouts of America at local and regional levels, and she enjoys fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Oak Grove United Methodist Church, where she teaches Sunday school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Rebecca C. W. Adams on being named the 2016 First Citizen of Chesapeake by the Chesapeake Rotary Club; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Rebecca C. W. Adams as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her service to the residents of Chesapeake and the Commonwealth.

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