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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 594

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Commending the Lee Highway Alliance.

Patrons—Sullivan and Hope; Senators: Favola and Howell

WHEREAS, the Lee Highway Alliance, a grassroots civic organization in Arlington County, was named the 2016 Advocate of the Year by the Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference for its efforts to enhance the quality of life in the Lee Highway corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference presents annual awards to individuals and other organizations for projects and advocacy that promote and strengthen the Commonwealth's neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, founded by Ginger Brown and Sandi Chesrown, the Lee Highway Alliance comprises 18 civic associations that have developed strategies to transform Lee Highway into a walkable, economically vibrant urban Main Street from Rosslyn to East Falls Church, featuring neighborhood activity centers, public spaces, and new transportation options; and

WHEREAS, the Lee Highway Alliance recognized that Lee Highway was the only corridor in Arlington County without a focused planning effort and that the General Land Use Plan had not been updated in nearly 60 years; and

WHEREAS, the Lee Highway Alliance built trust with local individuals and businesses, researched land use and other relevant topics, identified specific goals, and worked with Arlington County to plan the corridor through the Lee Highway Visioning Study in 2016; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the efforts of the Lee Highway Alliance, Arlington County will form the Lee Highway Task Force in 2017 and gather input from businesses, residents, community groups, and stakeholders to build consensus on a joint vision for the project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Lee Highway Alliance on being named the 2016 Advocate of the Year by the Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference for its work to enhance Lee Highway; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Lee Highway Alliance as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's dedicated leadership and service to the residents of Arlington County.

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