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### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 429

Offered February 18, 2019

*Commending Linda Q. Smyth.*

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WHEREAS, Linda Q. Smyth, Fairfax County Supervisor representing the Providence magisterial district, will retire from public office in 2019; and

WHEREAS, for nearly two decades Linda Smyth has handled some of Fairfax County's largest and most challenging land use cases; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smyth is a former civic activist and Planning Commission member who was first elected in 2003; she is a Cape Girardeau, Missouri, native who holds a bachelor's degree in history from Washington University and master's and doctoral degrees from University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in her county leadership role, Linda Smyth was immersed for years in the ongoing redevelopments of Tysons and Merrifield; and early in her tenure tackled the Fairlee/MetroWest development just south of the Vienna Metro Station; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smyth's civic career began when she and her neighbors opposed having their subdivision, Briarwood, turned into high-rise office buildings and had to learn land use in a crash course to change the direction of the development plan; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smyth is known for being practical in her approach and voting consistently with her conscience and in the best interests of the county; she is committed to educating the public about county government processes, land use, the environment, and other related issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Linda Q. Smyth on the occasion of her retirement from public office in 2019 as a Fairfax County Supervisor representing the Providence magisterial district; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Linda Q. Smyth as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her years of exceptional service to the residents of Fairfax County.

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