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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 345

Commending Linda M. Erdos.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 2, 2020 Agreed to by the Senate, March 4, 2020

WHEREAS, Linda M. Erdos, a communications professional with more than 40 years of experience in public relations and marketing, retired as assistant superintendent of school and community relations for Arlington Public Schools in March 2019; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Westminster College and the Carroll School of Management at Boston College, Linda Erdos previously worked as a language arts teacher and a crisis communications consultant for the YMCA of the USA and served as senior vice president of marketing and communications for the YMCA of Metropolitan Washington; and

WHEREAS, after 12 years as public relations manager for the *Washington Post*, Linda Erdos joined Arlington Public Schools in 2000 and effectively managed internal and external communications for the school district for nearly two decades; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure with Arlington Public Schools, Linda Erdos was responsible for media relations, publications, social media, television broadcasts, and emergency communications; she built strong relationships with the community through special events and by coordinating volunteer outreach projects and partnerships with local businesses; and

WHEREAS, respected among her peers in the communications field, Linda Erdos has offered her expertise to the Public Relations Society of America and the National School Public Relations Association; and

WHEREAS, Linda Erdos has earned numerous awards and accolades for her work, and she is a frequent speaker on topics related to community engagement, media relations, and crisis communications; she has volunteered her time with several charitable organizations, including Leadership Arlington; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Linda M. Erdos on the occasion of her retirement as assistant superintendent for school and community relations for Arlington Public Schools; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Linda M. Erdos as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her exceptional service to the students of Arlington County and best wishes for her well-earned retirement.