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## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 533

Offered September 3, 2020

*Commending Anna Leider.*

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WHEREAS, Anna Leider retired on June 26, 2020, after more than two decades of service to the residents of Alexandria as the city's general registrar and director of elections; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Alexandria, Anna Leider is a graduate of T.C. Williams High School and holds degrees from Amherst College and New York University; prior to working for the city, she owned Octameron Associates, a small educational publishing company; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the community, Anna Leider pursued a career as an election official, working as a deputy registrar and a member of the Alexandria Electoral Board, ultimately serving as general registrar for six years; and

WHEREAS, over the course of her career, Anna Leider adapted to significant changes in technology and growth in the community; when she began serving as an election official, there were 67,400 registered voters and 24 polling places in the city, compared to 98,200 registered voters and 30 polling places in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Anna Leider helped manage 41 elections, including four presidential elections and three statewide or regional election recounts, becoming a trusted source of institutional knowledge, and she earned the admiration of her colleagues for her leadership and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Anna Leider has also served Alexandria as a member of the city's Budget and Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee and its 250th Anniversary Commission, and she was the chair of the Alexandria Democratic Committee from 1993 to 1997; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Anna Leider hereby be commended on the occasion of her retirement as the general registrar and director of elections of Alexandria; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Anna Leider as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for her legacy of service to the Alexandria community.

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