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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 481

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*Commending Dorothy Lipsitz Robinson.*

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Lipsitz Robinson, a former member of the Chase City Town Council and an active volunteer in her community, received the 2022 Elizabeth Statuta Baker '70 Public Service Award from her alma mater, Goucher College, for her outstanding contributions to leadership in public service; and

WHEREAS, a proud native of Chase City, Dorothy Robinson attended Goucher College in Towson, Maryland, and graduated with the Class of 1942; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, Dorothy Robinson served the nation as a junior clerk in what was then the United States Department of War and subsequently worked at Sinai Hospital in Baltimore as a volunteer coordinator; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, Dorothy Robinson and her husband, George, returned to her hometown of Chase City and worked in her parents' department store, which was well known for its exceptional customer service and contributions to local life; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Robinson volunteered her leadership and expertise to many community organizations; she notably served as a board member and twice as president of the Mecklenburg County chapter of the American Red Cross and as an active member and three-term president of the Fortnightly Club; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service, in 1984 Dorothy Robinson ran for and was elected to the Chase City Town Council; during her two terms in local government, she helped attract new businesses to the area and advocated for the revitalization of downtown Chase City; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Robinson helped preserve and promote the history of the region as a docent at the MacCallum More Museum and Gardens; a passionate lifelong learner with a keen appreciation for the importance of literacy, she also tutored students in reading, was president of Friends of the Library, and raised money to build a new local library; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Robinson touched countless lives through her commitment to excellence in servant leadership and served the Chase City community with the utmost dedication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Dorothy Lipsitz Robinson on her selection as the winner of the 2022 Elizabeth Statuta Baker '70 Public Service Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dorothy Lipsitz Robinson as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her achievements and service to the Chase City community.

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