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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 550

Offered January 14, 2023

Commending Beth Lovain.

Patrons—Bennett-Parker and Herring; Senator: Ebbin

WHEREAS, Beth Lovain, an esteemed community leader in Alexandria, has admirably served as executive director of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria from 2013 to 2022; and

WHEREAS, under Beth Lovain's tenure at the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, the organization increased services to Alexandria City High School graduates, in terms of both the number of scholarships awarded and the total amount of money awarded, providing \$1.1 million to 420 students in 2021 alone; and

WHEREAS, in Beth Lovain's final year with the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, the organization awarded the largest amount of new scholarships in its history, providing \$600,000 to 205 seniors and surpassing its record of \$523,700 in new scholarships from the previous year; and

WHEREAS, the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria's efforts to expand its services, which included extending its program to middle school students, were facilitated by Beth Lovain's exceptional ability to bring in new donors and raise funds; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Beth Lovain's sterling leadership of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, Alexandria City High School earned top honors from the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia three times for having the highest Free Application for Federal Student Aid completion rate in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, Beth Lovain advanced meaningful initiatives in the community through her work as director of employer partnerships for Computer CORE, executive director of Rebuilding Together Alexandria, and board member and executive director of the former Alexandria Volunteer Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Beth Lovain has also made a notable impact through her service as executive director of the George Mason-Westminster tutoring program, as a board member of the Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry and Wright to Read program, and as a member of the Alexandria Commission on HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her accomplishments in service to others, Beth Lovain has been the recipient of the Alexandria Commission for Women Salute to Women Award and an honoree of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce's Ten Outstanding Young Americans program and the Virginia Junior Chamber of Commerce's Ten Outstanding Young Virginians program; and

WHEREAS, by demonstrating an extraordinary dedication to her community and to helping young people achieve their academic dreams by attending college, Beth Lovain serves as an inspiration to all Virginians; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Beth Lovain, executive director of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, on the occasion of her retirement from the organization; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Beth Lovain as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth and best wishes in her future endeavors.

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