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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 168

Offered February 28, 2022

Commending Dianna C. Bowser.

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WHEREAS, Dianna C. Bowser, president and chief executive officer of the Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation, celebrated 25 years of service to the organization in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Dianna C. Bowser joined the Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation (SCDHC) as an assistant in 1996 and was promoted to housing counseling manager before being appointed president and chief executive officer in 2007; and

WHEREAS, as the head of SCDHC, Dianna Bowser oversees an organization and staff dedicated to finding holistic housing solutions for residents in the Greater Richmond area while implementing a comprehensive housing counseling program that has been approved by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development since 1999; and

WHEREAS, through her work with SCDHC, Dianna Bowser has acquired more than 25 years of experience developing new and renovated homes for low-income and moderate-income residents, helping to create millions of dollars' worth of multifamily housing units while preparing tens of thousands of individuals for the responsibilities of homeownership; and

WHEREAS, during Dianna Bowser's tenure, SCDHC was awarded two years of funding to launch its Local Initiatives Support Corporation Financial Opportunity Center in 2019, enhancing the organization's ability to provide financial counseling and promote economic stability in the community; and

WHEREAS, born in Petersburg and raised in Richmond, Dianna Bowser graduated from John Marshall High School in 1975 and The Ohio State University in 1979 and outside of work enjoys spending time with her husband, retired United States Army Sergeant Lawrence Bowser, and her daughter, Ashley; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership, the SCDHC will continue to pursue its mission into the future, developing temporary housing for individuals and families impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, expanding its multifamily housing portfolio, and executing a multimillion dollar capital campaign to ensure the organization's sustainability for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Dianna C. Bowser for her tenure as president and chief executive officer of the Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dianna C. Bowser as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth.

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