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Joint Board Matter with Supervisor Foust

Recognizing Carol Jameson, Chief Executive Officer

HealthWorks for Northern Virginia

Members of the Board,

After more than 35 years of service, developing and overseeing programs that provide access to health care services to our underserved community in Northern Virginia, Ms. Carol Jameson will retire as CEO of HealthWorks later this month. Ms. Jameson has focused on identifying and addressing factors that often negatively impact the ability to access and utilize health care services, such as stigma and poverty.

After earning her Master of Social Work degree in 1987, Ms. Jameson began her career as the first dedicated HIV-AIDS Social Worker at Inova Fairfax Hospital. She was part of the initial team that established what is now the Inova Juniper Program, providing comprehensive services to persons with HIV/AIDS. She then served as the Associate Director of the Northern Virginia Whitman Walker Clinic, providing intensive services to persons with HIV/AIDS. Subsequently, she spent 14 years with Northern Virginia Family Service, a multi-jurisdictional nonprofit organization, where she developed and directed multiple programs which focused on health access. Ms. Jameson returned to her HIV/AIDS work, serving as Executive Director

of the Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry (NOVAM), providing prevention and HIV care to adolescents and young adults in Northern Virginia.

In 2011, Ms. Jameson became the Executive Director of Herndon-based Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic, and worked closely with local community and government leaders and key funders to assess how to take the organization forward to serve the growing number of those in need of care. What resulted was the merger of the Clinic with HealthWorks and the opening in 2012 of the first community health center in Herndon.

HealthWorks of Northern Virginia now serves as Fairfax County's partner in community health in the western part of the county, and was a critical partner in supporting our community during the pandemic.

Therefore, I move to recognize Carol Jameson for her many years of dedicated service and for the positive impact she has made in our community, and request that the Office of Public Affairs prepare a proclamation for presentation outside the Board room.