



RECOGNITION



SHERIFF BETH ARTHUR

WHEREAS, Elizabeth “Beth” F. Arthur began her career in Arlington County as the Budget & Human Resources Analyst for the Sheriff’s Office in January 1986; and

WHEREAS, Beth Arthur was promoted to the Director of Administration in 1988 overseeing all human resource, budgeting, and information technology functions which led to her judiciary appointment to Sheriff in July 2000, and in November 2000 via a special election, she was elected Sheriff and subsequently was re-elected to the position in 2003, 2007, 2011, 2015, and 2019; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Arthur was not only the first female Sheriff of Arlington County but also the first female County Sheriff in the Commonwealth of Virginia and became the first woman to occupy a Board position with the Virginia Sheriffs’ Association, and the association’s first female president; and

WHEREAS, former Governors Mark Warner and Tim Kaine appointed Sheriff Arthur to the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services Board where she served for eight years (2002-2010) and served as Chair from 2005-2010; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Arthur’s professional memberships include the National Sheriffs’ Association, the Virginia Sheriff’s Association, the American Correctional Association, the American Jail Association; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Arthur has been the recipient of numerous awards including the Arlington Bar Foundation William L. Winston Award, the Leadership Arlington Legacy Award, the Martin Luther King Jr., Community Service Award, and the Arlington County Commission on the Status of Women, 2002 Person of Vision Award

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christian Dorsey, Chair of the County Board in Arlington, Virginia do hereby laud and recognize on this 6th day of January 2023

SHERIFF BETH ARTHUR

for her fierce dedication, compassion, and unceasing hard work in serving Arlington County and its residents for nearly four decades to ensure that Arlington remains a secure and caring community.

Christian Dorsey
Chair