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May 24, 2022 Regular Meeting

MOTION:

SECOND:

RE:

Res. No. 22-COMMEND – MANASSAS BAPTIST CHURCH, STREETLIGHT COMMUNITY

OUTREACH MINISTRIES, AND MANASSAS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ACTION:

WHEREAS, the Manassas Baptist Church and Streetlight Community Outreach Ministries served the unhoused of Prince William County in partnership with the Prince William County Department of Social Services through the local Hypothermia Program operated on the western and eastern ends of the county, respectfully; and

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Hypothermia Program provided shelter to single adults experiencing homelessness when the weather and/or wind chill was 32 degrees Fahrenheit or below between November 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, through the assistance of a \$500,000 state grant provided to Manassas Baptist Church and local funds provided to Streetlight Ministries, 142 unhoused adults received assistance at the eastern-end hypothermia center and 102 unhoused adults received assistance at the western-end hypothermia center; and

WHEREAS, the Manassas Presbyterian Church makes their parking lot available, free of charge to Serving Our Neighbors, for drop-in services on Tuesdays and Thursdays year-round to individuals experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, Serving Our Neighbors served approximately 2,000 members of the Greater Prince William Area homeless community and is committed to expanding its reach this year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby commends the Manassas Baptist Church, Streetlight Community Outreach Ministries, and Manassas Presbyterian Church for their service during the 2021 – 2022 winter months and continued commitment to assist members of the Greater Prince William Area homeless community;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby recognizes its commitment to provide financial and material support for homeless assistance programs, in partnership with state and federal governments and nonprofit organizations, to serve individuals and families in the Greater Prince William Area affected by homelessness by optimizing resource allocation by making informed decisions in coordination with community partners. May 24, 2022 Regular Meeting Res. No. 22-Page Two

<u>Votes:</u> Ayes: Nays: Absent from Vote: Absent from Meeting: