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To:Fairfax County Board of SupervisorsFrom :Dan Storck, Supervisor
Mount Vernon DistrictSubject:BOARD MATTERS for June 5, 2018

For your consideration, I submit the following Board Matters accompanied by a brief explanation. Your support will be appreciated.

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Background

Since November 1987, Richard Bierce has been a fixture on the Fairfax County Architectural Review Board (ARB), where he has served as both chairman and vice-chairman. Mr. Bierce started his own practice in 1989 as a Historical Architect and Preservation Consultant and worked on projects that included assessing damage to historic properties after hurricanes in the USVI and Puerto Rico, evaluating the significance of early 20th century schools in Tampa, Florida and restoring St. Paul's Church in Alexandria, Virginia.

Mr. Bierce's accomplishments are comprehensive, with many of his most noteworthy works completed pro bono. One of his first and most indelible ARB duties was to establish, preserve and protect 13 Historic Overlay Districts in the County. He has advocated for the protection and care of historic buildings, including the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse site, the Woodlawn and Arcadia partnership, and the Workhouse Arts Center. With almost 50 years as a Historical Architect and Preservation Consultant, he has worked on projects throughout Fairfax County, the state of Virginia, and nationwide.

Proposed Action

Therefore, Madame Chair, I ask, with unanimous consent, that the Board direct staff to issue a proclamation, signed by the Chair and myself, to recognize Richard Bierce for his many accomplishments to be presented at a future Board meeting.