

**RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND
VALERIE SCHMIDT-WILSON**

WHEREAS, in 2012, Ms. Valerie Schmidt-Wilson began a project as a volunteer to clean, organize, and digitize historic documents dating back to 1750 with the ultimate goal being to index them by name and document for easy public access; and,

WHEREAS, for the past seven (7) years, using the organization structure suggested by the Library of Virginia's suggestions, Ms. Schmidt-Wilson has meticulously worked with over 75,000 documents, one page at a time, giving each document that corresponded with a digital image a name; and,

WHEREAS, the efforts of Ms. Schmidt-Wilson have resulted in a massive amount of information being made accessible to the public via the Randall Booth Records Room in the Young-Lane Courts Building including all Isle of Wight County historic Chancery, Criminal, General Court, Land, Law Suits and Guardian Accounts, and loose paper documents through 1865 that have been conserved, organized, correlated with the respective digital images; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Valerie Schmidt-Wilson has been, and continues to be, a valuable asset to the County, volunteering her time and hard work to preserve public and historical records that will be accessed and appreciated for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Isle of Wight County, Virginia, recognizes and commends Valerie Schmidt-Wilson for the invaluable service she has provided to the preservation and accessibility of historical records in the Isle of Wight County Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

Adopted this 21st day of November 2019.

William M. McCarty, Chairman

Carey Mills Storm, Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Robert W. Jones Jr., County Attorney