



## NEWS RELEASE

### **JENNIFER BAKER ELECTED VICE MAYOR BY RESOLUTION**

Herndon, VA (January 3, 2017) - Town of Herndon Mayor Lisa C. Merkel and members of the Herndon Town Council approved a resolution naming Jennifer K. Baker as vice mayor for the 2017-2018 term.

The resolution naming Baker passed with a vote of 6-0, with Baker abstaining. Traditionally, the councilmember who receives the highest number of votes during the general town elections is named to the post of Vice Mayor; Baker received the highest number of votes during the election on November 8.

A resident of Herndon since 2004, Baker is serving her second term as Vice Mayor. She serves on the council's Interview Committee and is an alternate to represent the town on the Northern Virginia Regional Commission. In November 2015, she met with the Mayor of Runnymede, England, Herndon's sister city. The Borough was celebrating the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the sealing of the Magna Carter.

Baker is a member of ArtsHerndon, Optimist Club of Herndon, the Herndon Historical Society and sister Cities International of the Herndon Area, Inc. She is also a member of the Philanthropic Educational Organization (PEO) which promotes educational opportunities for women. She has been an active member and chair of the Holiday Homes Tour Committee and has previously served as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer for abused and neglected children in Fairfax County.

She volunteers with the Council for the Arts of Herndon, Cultivating Community Initiative, Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling (FABB) and Friday Night Live.

Baker currently works as a Global Partner Manager at Tableau Software with a mission to help people see and understand their data. She has previously worked at Adobe, VMware and taught middle and high school math for the Fairfax County Public School System. She holds a BA in mathematics from the State University of New York at Geneseo.

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