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Virginia Credit Union Association Honors Virginia Congressman Gerry Connolly as 2024 Federal Lawmaker of the Year

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Virginia Credit Union Association, a subsidiary of The League of Credit Unions & Affiliates, proudly announces that Congressman Gerry Connolly (VA-11) has been named the 2024 Federal Lawmaker of the Year in Virginia. He was formally honored this week at the America's Credit Unions Governmental Affairs Conference in Washington, D.C.

"Credit unions embody the spirit of community and service, and I am proud to stand alongside them in their mission of economic empowerment," said Congressman Gerry Connolly, Ranking Member of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. "I am grateful for this recognition and remain steadfastly committed to protecting and preserving the ability of credit unions to serve our businesses, families, and communities."

"As a champion for the people of Northern Virginia and credit unions, Congressman Connolly's leadership has been instrumental in ensuring that credit unions remain a vital part of the financial landscape," shared Samantha A.M. Beeler, President of The League of Credit Unions & Affiliates. "His deep understanding of our mission, combined with his leadership on our issues in Congress, demonstrates his dedication to advancing credit union priorities and protecting the communities we serve."

After being nominated by the Federal Advocacy Policy Committee, Congressman Connolly's nomination was unanimously approved by The League Board of Directors following discussion of his support for credit unions and their legislative priorities.

"Understanding the important role credit unions play in local communities, Congressman Connolly has

championed legislation expanding the business lending authority of credit unions to ensure small and Veteran-owned businesses have affordable access to financial services. We are proud to recognize him for his partnership on many issues, including how we can protect consumers from fraud,” continued Grace Newcombe Colvin, Vice President of Federal Advocacy and Strategy.

Congressman Connolly has been a leading advocate for Northern Virginia's economy, securing vital federal transportation funding and championing policies in cybersecurity, government IT management, and foreign policy. His long-standing leadership and dedication to public service have earned him significant recognition, including being named the Most Effective Lawmaker of the 117th Congress.

We appreciate Congressman Connolly and his dedicated service on behalf of our members throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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The Virginia Credit Union Association, an arm of The League of Credit Unions & Affiliates, represents Virginia's 100 credit unions and a combined total of more than \$265 billion in assets and 20.2 million members. VCUA provides advocacy, compliance services, education and training, cooperative initiatives, and communications. For more information, visit www.the-league.coop.

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