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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 241

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3 *Commending Linda Costanzo.* 4

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5 WHEREAS, Linda Costanzo, an outstanding professor of physiology at Virginia Commonwealth
7 University's School of Medicine, will retire after a long and distinguished career; and

8 WHEREAS, a brilliant educator, Dr. Costanzo earned a doctoral degree in pharmacology from The
9 State University of New York and completed postdoctoral training in physiology at Cornell University
10 Medical College: and

Medical College; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Costanzo joined the physiology faculty at Virginia Commonwealth University
(VCU) in 1980 and began teaching in 1982; and

WHEREAS, a beloved and respected professor, Dr. Costanzo is known for her innovative teachingmethods, enthusiasm, and ability to connect with her students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Costanzo has not only influenced new generations of medical professionals through
her personal interactions with students but also as the author of several best-selling physiology
textbooks, which have been translated into seven languages and adopted all over the country by firstand second-year medical students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Costanzo has received numerous awards and accolades throughout her career,
including the prestigious Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society's Robert J. Glaser Distinguished
Teacher Award, VCU's and the VCU's School of Medicine highest awards for teaching, and the Arthur

C. Guyton Physiology Teacher of the Year award from the American Physiological Society; and
 WHEREAS, while Dr. Costanzo will leave Virginia Commonwealth University, her legacy will live

on in the lives of the students she has taught throughout her career; now, therefore, be it
 RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly

26 commend Linda Costanzo for her lifetime of devotion to her profession and commitment to educating
 27 the next generation of medical professionals; and, be it

28 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for
 29 presentation to Linda Costanzo as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and respect for
 30 her many accomplishments and best wishes in her future endeavors.

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