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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 458

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Celebrating the life of Andra Kern Foss.

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WHEREAS, Andra Kern Foss, a beloved educator and cofounder of Fredericksburg Christian Schools, died on August 13, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a native of New Jersey, Andra "Andy" Foss and her husband, Gary, spent several years teaching before moving to Fredericksburg in 1966 with Youth for Christ International to direct a home for boys; and

WHEREAS, Andy Foss then spent several years working for Fredericksburg area public schools as a school psychologist before she and her husband accepted a challenge from local Christian churches and established Fredericksburg Christian Schools in 1979 with 30 students and four teachers; and

WHEREAS, a skilled administrator and creative teacher, Andy Foss cared deeply about her students and encouraged them to excel in their studies and grow in their faith; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Fredericksburg Christian Schools, under Andy Foss' inspired leadership, continued to develop and meet the needs of local Christian families who desired a rigorous academic program that incorporated Christian teachings for their children; and

WHEREAS, a gracious and compassionate woman, Andy Foss formed excellent relationships with many other local churches and Christian organizations and ministered to countless children and parents; and

WHEREAS, Andy Foss was recognized for her contributions to youth and families in the Fredericksburg area with awards from local business organizations; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep and life-changing faith that sustained her through a life of challenges, Andy Foss was a member of Spotswood Baptist Church, where she was actively involved in the church's many missions in the community and enjoyed fellowship and study with other members; and

WHEREAS, a devoted wife and mother who was predeceased by her son, Kenneth, Andy Foss leaves her husband, Gary; son, Eric, and his family; and her many friends, students, and admirers with a wealth of cherished memories; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of a beloved educator and respected citizen of the Commonwealth, Andra Kern Foss; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Andra Kern Foss as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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