

2013 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 400

Celebrating the life of Barbara Curtis.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 7, 2013
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 15, 2013

WHEREAS, Barbara Curtis, a loving mother and well-known author in Loudoun County, died on October 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, originally from California, Barbara Curtis developed through her own life experiences a deeper passion for motherhood, education, and Christianity; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Barbara Curtis sought to help others by sharing her insights on the importance of faith in family and culture; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Curtis trained to become a Montessori teacher, a type of teacher devoted to supporting a child's natural psychological development; and

WHEREAS, later using her Montessori training to homeschool her 12 children, Barbara Curtis became an inspiration to her friends and neighbors; she began a long and prolific writing career to pass along her parenting knowledge; and

WHEREAS, building an impressive catalog of nine books and over 900 articles in 70 different publications, Barbara Curtis earned a reputation as an expert on parenting and Christian living; and

WHEREAS, many followers of her blog, Mommy Life, credit Barbara Curtis with helping them to "grow up" and to find purpose in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Curtis raised four children with Down syndrome, three of whom were adopted, and became a fierce advocate for children with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Curtis is survived and fondly remembered by her best friend and husband, Tripp; her 12 children, in whom she took great pride, and their families; and many other family members, friends and fans; 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 devoted mother, a respected author, and an inspirational member of the Loudoun County community, Barbara Curtis; and, be it

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

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