HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 417

Celebrating the life of Kedron Simon.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, March 8, 2014

WHEREAS, Kedron Simon, a devoted veteran and beloved member of the Arlington community, died on December 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a native of Tucson, Arizona, Kedron Simon attended Don Antonio Lugo High School in Chino, California, and earned a ROTC scholarship to attend Harvard University; she graduated from Harvard with a bachelor's degree in 1993; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Kedron Simon received a commission as a surface warfare officer in the United States Navy; she served aboard the USS *George Washington*, the USS *Mount Hood*, and the USS *Belleau Wood*; and

WHEREAS, completing her active duty service in 2000, Kedron Simon joined the Office of Legislative Affairs of the Department of the Navy and served as a reservist; following the September 11 attacks, she was recalled to assist with the cleanup effort at the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, Kedron Simon was honorably discharged with the rank of lieutenant commander in 2003 and pursued a successful career in business; she offered her leadership and expertise to companies in the information technology and personal wealth management fields; and

WHEREAS, Kedron Simon will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her loving husband, Noah; children, Jackson and Madison; parents, Nancy and Hollis; and numerous other family members, friends, and fellow Sailors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Kedron Simon, a veteran and beloved member of the Arlington community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Kedron Simon as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.