

2014 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 34

Commemorating the life and legacy of Elizabeth Bennett Young.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 10, 2014

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Bennett Young was a Revolutionary War era resident of Smithfield and the wife of Deputy Clerk Lieutenant Francis Young of Smithfield; and

WHEREAS, upon hearing that British Lieutenant Colonel Banastre Tarleton was nearing Smithfield, Elizabeth Young hid the county's records in a trunk and buried them on a nearby farm until the end of the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Young's quick thinking and decisive action protected what are some of the oldest and most complete court records in the United States that today provide historians, genealogists, and the general public with valuable information; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the life and legacy of Revolutionary War heroine Elizabeth Bennett Young hereby be commemorated; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Colonel William Allen Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for Elizabeth Bennett Young's contributions to the Commonwealth and nation.

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