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Celebrating the life of Ronne Toker Jacobs.

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WHEREAS, Ronne Toker Jacobs of Richmond, a devoted educator and a business professional who worked to impart her leadership skills to others, died on April 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Elizabeth, New Jersey, Ronne Jacobs attended the University of Michigan and earned a bachelor's degree from American University and master's degrees from Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, Ronne Jacobs began her professional career as an arts and English teacher in New Jersey and later taught at J. R. Tucker High School in Henrico County and the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Ronne Jacobs became involved with management training programs for department heads at Virginia Commonwealth University, then served as the assistant vice president for organizational development at United Virginia Bank; and

WHEREAS, possessed of an entrepreneurial spirit, Ronne Jacobs started her own consulting firm in 1980; the firm specialized in advising other companies on how to improve managerial skills and served major corporations throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, while running her firm, Ronne Jacobs also served as an assistant professor at the University of Richmond and The College of William and Mary and published a guidebook on public speaking; and

WHEREAS, working to better the lives of her fellow Richmond residents, Ronne Jacobs offered her time and wise leadership to numerous charitable organizations, including Jewish Family Services, and the Legal Information Network for Cancer, which presents the annual Ronne Jacobs Leadership Award in her honor; and

WHEREAS, Ronne Jacobs also served as a past president and founding member of the Richmond Women Business Owner's Association and a founding member of the Multiple Myeloma Support Group; and

WHEREAS, Ronne Jacobs cared deeply for her family, and she will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband of more than 50 years, Cecil; sons, Stephen and Andy, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 Ronne Toker Jacobs, a dedicated educator and business leader in Richmond; 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 Ronne Toker Jacobs as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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