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Celebrating the life of Cynthia B. Creasy.

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WHEREAS, Cynthia B. Creasy of Richmond, a respected journalist who dedicated almost four decades to her craft and a beloved friend and mentor, died on July 26, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia "Cindy" B. Creasy was raised in Roanoke and Norfolk; she began her career as a journalist as an intern for the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* while attending the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, after earning her bachelor's degree, Cindy Creasy joined the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* as a reporter and diligently covered a wide variety of subjects; and

WHEREAS, admired for her professionalism, easygoing nature, and compassion for others, Cindy Creasy served as a reporter and editor in various departments before becoming the features editor, where she used her observation skills and unique insights to cover food, fashion, and human interest stories; and

WHEREAS, Cindy Creasy always made time to assist coworkers or answer calls from readers; in recognition of her patience and courteousness, she was named the newspaper's Customer Service Champion of the Year; and

WHEREAS, an active leader in the community, Cindy Creasy served on the board of the Manchester Family YMCA and as a member of a local cookbook club; she enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community at Forest Hill Presbyterian Church, where she taught Sunday school, led a youth group, and had served as a church elder; and

WHEREAS, Cindy Creasy will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband, Ed, and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; 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 Cynthia B. Creasy, an admired journalist and a beloved member of the Richmond 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 Cynthia B. Creasy as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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