

2016 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

Celebrating the life of Sharon Smith Hembree.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 15, 2016
Agreed to by the Senate, January 21, 2016

WHEREAS, Sharon Smith Hembree of Abingdon, a devoted wife and mother, a nurse, an avid horsewoman, and a world traveler, died on August 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sharon "Sherry" Smith Hembree was a dedicated nurse who worked for several private medical practices and the Washington County Health Department; she also was a nurse at Greendale Elementary School and Abingdon Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work in medicine, Sherry Hembree enjoyed horseback riding, and she also derived great satisfaction from exploring different countries as a world traveler; and

WHEREAS, Sherry Hembree's roots in Southwest Virginia run deep; she was the daughter of the late Jewell "Judy" Garland Smith and Jack Smith, who founded K-VA-T Food Stores, which is the parent company of Food City; and

WHEREAS, Sherry Hembree will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by Thomas, her husband of 27 years; children, Drew and Melanie, and their families; and many 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 Sharon Smith Hembree of Abingdon, a devoted wife and mother, a nurse, an avid horsewoman, and a world traveler; 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 Sharon Smith Hembree as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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