HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 314

Celebrating the life of Mary Elizabeth Haas.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 27, 2017

WHEREAS, Mary Elizabeth Haas, an inquisitive student at Mary Munford Elementary School and a joyful member of the Richmond community, died on July 2, 2016; and

WHEREAS, born with hydrocephalus and Tetralogy of Fallot, Mary Elizabeth "Betsy" Haas lived her life to the fullest and inspired others through her positivity, optimism, and deep faith; and

WHEREAS, a rising fourth-grader at Mary Munford Elementary School, Betsy Haas was a dedicated student and had been the classroom spelling champion since first grade; and

WHEREAS, Betsy Haas cared for her fellow students as the class "medic", who would walk other children to the nurse's office, and she helped create a fun atmosphere in the classroom with her sense of style and sparkling personality; and

WHEREAS, despite her young age, Betsy Haas was an active, generous member of the community, and she was always ready for an adventure with her dog, Baxter; and

WHEREAS, Betsy Haas will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her parents, Cathy and Jay; her maternal grandfather, Don; her paternal grandparents, Judy and Carl; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Mary Elizabeth Haas, 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 Mary Elizabeth Haas as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.