

2017 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 328

Celebrating the life of Caitlin Piper Gorove-Funk.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 3, 2017

WHEREAS, Caitlin Piper Gorove-Funk, a beloved member of the Fairfax County community, died on April 24, 2016, from anorexia nervosa, an eating disorder, at the age of 21 years old; and

WHEREAS, a native of Fairfax County, Caitlin Gorove-Funk attended J.E.B. Stuart High School in Falls Church; she was an athlete, who played soccer and basketball and enjoyed running and swimming; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Gorove-Funk volunteered for an animal rescue organization and, early in life, hoped to care for animals as a veterinarian; she later decided to become a doctor and enrolled at Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, as a volunteer at Inova Fairfax Hospital, Caitlin Gorove-Funk cared for newborns in the nursery and brought joy to children in the Ronald McDonald Playroom; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Gorove-Funk's own experiences with illness further motivated her to help others, and her courage and determination were an inspiration to everyone she met; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Gorove-Funk, while struggling with anorexia, advocated for the development of state legislation directing school systems to provide education on eating disorders to all parents of students in grades five through 12, which passed unanimously in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Gorove-Funk is fondly remembered and greatly missed by her parents, Bob and Lisa; brothers, Aaron and Jacob; 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 Caitlin Piper Gorove-Funk, a vibrant member of the Fairfax County community who enhanced the lives of others as a compassionate volunteer; 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 Caitlin Piper Gorove-Funk as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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