## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 251**

Celebrating the life of Senta Amon Raizen.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 16, 2018 Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2018

WHEREAS, Senta Amon Raizen, a well-known educator and a respected leader in the Arlington community, died on December 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a native of Austria, Senta Raizen witnessed the annexation of the country by the Nazis in 1938 and escaped to the United States with the help of the American Friends Service Committee; and

WHEREAS, recognized nationally and internationally for her contributions to science education, Senta Raizen touched the lives of countless students throughout the Commonwealth, the United States, and the world; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Senta Raizen founded the National Center for Improving Science Education, where, for more than 20 years, she led initiatives to promote science literacy among students and help prepare teachers to present science education effectively; and

WHEREAS, Senta Raizen's beloved husband, Al, died on December 31, 2017; she will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her children, Helen, Michael, and Daniel, 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 Senta Amon Raizen; 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 Senta Amon Raizen as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.