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Celebrating the life of Ida Bonicelli Trigiani.

Patrons-Kilgore, Carr, O'Quinn, Peace and Pillion; Senators: Cosgrove and Deeds

WHEREAS, Ida Bonicelli Trigiani of Big Stone Gap, a librarian with a strong commitment to lifelong learning and a devout Catholic who was inspired by her faith to serve others throughout her life, died on August 9, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a native of Chisholm, Minnesota, Ida Trigiani was the child of Italian immigrants and always remained close with family members in Italy; she grew up on the Iron Range of Minnesota and earned a bachelor's degree from the College of St. Catherine; and

WHEREAS, after completing her education, Ida Trigiani joined the University of Notre Dame as a librarian; she helped create the institution's architecture library and served on the advisory committee for the design of the Theodore Hesburgh Library; and

WHEREAS, Ida Trigiani was later recognized for her role in helping the Notre Dame School of Architecture achieve accreditation and for her work as the school's first librarian; and

WHEREAS, in the 1960s, Ida Trigiani relocated to Big Stone Gap with her husband, Anthony, and their young family; she quickly became active in the community and shared her passion for arts and music with others as a member of the committee that brought the Community Concert Series to Wise County; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Ida Trigiani enjoyed fellowship and worship with members of the community, and she taught catechism at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Big Stone Gap and Saint Anthony Catholic Church in Norton; and

WHEREAS, Ida Trigiani was a life member, former officer, and certified state judge of the Dogwood Garden Club, and she received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Garden Clubs; in 2015, she was inducted into the Mountain Empire Community College Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by her husband, Anthony, Ida Trigiani will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her children, Mary, Lucia Anna, Adriana, Antonia, Michael, Carlo, and Francesca, 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 Ida Bonicelli Trigiani; 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 Ida Bonicelli Trigiani as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.