

2019 SPECIAL SESSION I

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4005

Celebrating the life of Mary Louise Crutsinger Gayle.

Agreed to by the Senate, July 9, 2019

WHEREAS, Mary Louise Crutsinger Gayle, a devoted mother and grandmother and a highly admired employee of the Virginia Beach Department of Public Works, died on May 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Cox High School, Mary Louise Gayle joined the Virginia Beach City Attorney's Office as a legal secretary in the mid-1990s; and

WHEREAS, while working full-time, Mary Louise Gayle earned a bachelor's degree from Saint Leo University and a master's degree from Troy University and completed a rigorous certification process to become a right-of-way agent; she was also a member of the International Right of Way Association and served as second vice president of the Old Dominion Chapter; and

WHEREAS, as a right-of-way agent for the Virginia Beach Department of Public Works, Mary Louise Gayle helped the city grow by facilitating the purchase of land for city projects; and

WHEREAS, over the course of her 24-year career with Virginia Beach, Mary Louise Gayle became a source of institutional knowledge and made lasting friendships through her kindness, generosity, and grace; and

WHEREAS, a devout Catholic, Mary Louise Gayle taught catechism at St. John the Apostle Catholic Church and lived her faith through her actions by volunteering her time and wise leadership with many local organizations, including as a cheerleading coach at the Association of Courthouse Recreation and in many capacities at Ocean Lakes High School; and

WHEREAS, Mary Louise Gayle will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her children, Matthew and Sarah, and their families, including her beloved grandchildren, Jeffrey and Genevieve; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues at the Virginia Beach Department of Public Works; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of Mary Louise Crutsinger Gayle, a vibrant member of the Virginia Beach community and a dedicated civil servant; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Mary Louise Crutsinger Gayle as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for her memory.

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