

2020 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 340

Celebrating the life of Katharine Logan Tugendhat.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 2, 2020
Agreed to by the Senate, March 4, 2020

WHEREAS, Katharine Logan Tugendhat, a distinguished educator who became a beloved member of the Vienna community in her later years, died on June 29, 2019; and

WHEREAS, born in Evanston, Illinois, Katharine "Kathy" Logan Tugendhat boarded at Cambridge School of Weston in Massachusetts for high school, where she met her future husband, Herbert, marrying him in 1953; and

WHEREAS, at 20 years of age and with no Spanish language abilities, Kathy Tugendhat moved with Herbert to Caracas, Venezuela, where she would raise a family and become one of the city's leading educators; and

WHEREAS, beginning as a first grade teacher at the Gloria Felix School, Kathy Tugendhat later collaborated with two colleagues to found the Washington Academy, which would become Venezuela's top-rated school for bilingual education; and

WHEREAS, with a background in progressive education methods, Kathy Tugendhat stressed emotional intelligence through a transactional analysis curriculum at the Washington Academy, fostering the interpersonal growth of her students; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Tugendhat's accomplishments as an educator in Venezuela earned her many accolades over the years, including the Andrés Bello Award, the nation's top education award; and

WHEREAS, beginning her retirement in 1998, Kathy Tugendhat moved to Vienna to be closer to family, quickly becoming an active and engaged member of her newfound community; and

WHEREAS, arts and education were always at the core of Kathy Tugendhat's community involvement, as she sang with the Vienna Choral Society, participated in the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna's Adventures in Learning program, tutored adult ESL students at her neighborhood library, and read to children as part of the Town of Vienna's Summer Stories, Songs & Sprinklers events; and

WHEREAS, for two decades, Kathy Tugendhat generously volunteered her time and talents at the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, serving as a companion driver, a medical transportation driver, and both an instructor for and chair of the organization's Adventures in Learning program; her rousing sing-alongs at the organization's Caregivers Treat will long be cherished; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by her husband, Herbert, Kathy Tugendhat will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her children, Eduardo, Marcia, and Andrés, 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 Katharine Logan Tugendhat, a celebrated educator and treasured member of the Vienna 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 Katharine Logan Tugendhat as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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