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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 454

Offered March 2, 2020

*Celebrating the life of Maria Bonazzoli Bourne.*

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WHEREAS, Maria Bonazzoli Bourne, an active member of the Wytheville community and a beloved mother and grandmother, died on May 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a native of Barre, Vermont, Maria Bourne graduated from Spaulding High School and continued her education at what is now Castleton University; and

WHEREAS, Maria Bourne relocated to Middletown, Connecticut, where she began her career as a third-grade teacher at Bielefield Elementary School and gave many young students a strong foundation for lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, after marrying her late husband, John, Maria Bourne settled in the Commonwealth and worked in Wytheville; and

WHEREAS, Maria Bourne touched many lives and brought happiness to others through her distinctly Italian exuberance; her own greatest joy in life was family, and she strove to impart her work ethic and sense of compassion to her children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by her husband, John, Maria Bourne will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her sons Jeff and Justin, 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 Maria Bonazzoli Bourne, a cherished member of the Wytheville 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 Maria Bonazzoli Bourne as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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