

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 261

Celebrating the life of Josephine Evans Burns.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 4, 2020
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2020

WHEREAS, Josephine Evans Burns, a resident of Herndon who made many contributions to the community personally and professionally, died on February 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a native of Indianapolis, Indiana, Josephine Burns moved to Herndon with her family after her mother accepted a teaching position in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, after completing her own education, Josephine Burns helped maintain Rock Ridge, a farm and youth camp, and later operated a messenger service between Dulles International Airport, Washington, D.C., and Maryland with her husband, Horace; and

WHEREAS, an avid reader, Josephine Burns promoted literacy and education for women as a 50-year member and past president of the Herndon Fortnightly Club; she also held a position at the Loudoun Campus of Northern Virginia Community College; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Burns enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregation of Trinity Presbyterian Church, of which she was a founding member; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by her husband, Horace, Josephine Burns will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her foster son, Melvin; stepchildren, Carol, Sharon, and Daniel; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Josephine Evans Burns, a vibrant member of the Herndon community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Josephine Evans Burns as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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