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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 328

Offered February 3, 2021

Celebrating the life of Elizabeth McCoy Jones.

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WHEREAS, Elizabeth McCoy Jones, a highly admired leader who served many people in Appomattox County and Baltimore, Maryland, died on March 8, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a native of Appomattox, Elizabeth "Liz" McCoy Jones graduated from Carver-Price High School in 1944, having held office in several class organizations; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation, Liz Jones left Appomattox and moved to Baltimore, where she continued her studies at Cortez Peters Business School, the University of Maryland-Harbor Campus, and Northern Community College; she studied at Honeywell and the Government Training Center-M Street and Tomlyn Circle in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Liz Jones worked at the Edgewood Ammunition Facility for five years; she then worked at Johns Hopkins Hospital as a dictaphone translator for one year before opening her own restaurant, E&J Restaurant, on Hartford Road in Baltimore; in 1959, she started her career with the United States Social Security Administration as a data entry clerk and retired as a supervisor data technician in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Liz Jones was a devoted member of the Mount Airy Baptist Church in Gladstone; upon moving to Baltimore, she continued her spiritual growth at the Southern Baptist Church, serving as trip planner for the pastor and members of the church; after returning to Virginia in 1996, she renewed her worship and fellowship at Mount Airy, where she organized the Pastor's Aid Ministry and participated wherever needed; and

WHEREAS, Liz Jones served as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Carver-Price Alumni Association, Inc., and was a member of the Lynchburg Christian Women; Chapter 181 Order of Elks in Lynchburg; Eastern Star, Androgyny; National Association of Retired Federal Employees; Cherokee Indian Tribe; and Family and Community Education of Amherst County; and

WHEREAS, Liz Jones enjoyed bowling and traveling around the world, though she never went to Antarctica; in one memorable trip in 1994, she took a bath in the Dead Sea; and

WHEREAS, the memory of Liz Jones is cherished by her devoted nephew, Edward McCoy, Jr., and great-nephew, Reid McCoy, both of whom she considered her children; her sister-in-law, Ora McCoy, whom she treated like a sister; and many other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Elizabeth McCoy Jones, a highly admired leader in Appomattox County and Baltimore, Maryland; 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 Elizabeth McCoy Jones as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.