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### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 283

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*Celebrating the life of Marisa L. Fleck.*

Patrons—Surovell; Delegate: Krizek

WHEREAS, Marisa L. Fleck, who warmed the hearts of countless Northern Virginia families through her trademark hospitality and commitment to serving delicious, authentic Italian food as a longtime co-owner of Via Veneto restaurant in Alexandria, died on May 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Marisa Fleck moved to the Commonwealth from Marotta, Italy, and followed in the footsteps of her mother, Gilda Marchetti, as a chef and restaurateur; and

WHEREAS, Marisa Fleck and her sister, Giuliana Austin, established Via Veneto in 1984, and two of their daughters, Kathy and Lilli, have helped maintain the restaurant's decades-long traditions of excellence; and

WHEREAS, Marisa Fleck helped the staff of Via Veneto prepare timeless family recipes for scratch-made pastas, entrees, and desserts and build a welcoming atmosphere where guests could feel like "friends of the family"; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her skill as a cook and hostess whose get-togethers and backyard barbecues were cherished by family and friends, Marisa Fleck was also a talented singer and an accomplished seamstress; and

WHEREAS, Marisa Fleck will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her daughters, Susie and Kathy, and their families; 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 Marisa L. Fleck, co-owner of Via Veneto restaurant and a beloved member of the Northern Virginia community; and, be it

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

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