2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 516

Celebrating the life of Darlene Anderson Cain.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 25, 2021

WHEREAS, Darlene Anderson Cain, a successful entrepreneur who made a lifetime of contributions to the Emporia community, died on February 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Darlene Cain attended Greensville County Public Schools and later continued her education through the University of Arizona Global Campus online program, studying business administration; and

WHEREAS, Darlene Cain worked for many years in the food service and retail industries, then worked in the local Commonwealth's Attorney's office and for the City of Emporia, gaining a wide range of valuable experience and making many long-lasting friendships; and

WHEREAS, Darlene Cain and her husband, Lorenzo, cofounded A Touch of Elegance, an event planning and catering business that served numerous clients locally and throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Darlene Cain touched countless lives through her kindness and generosity, and during the COVID-19 pandemic, she graciously volunteered to deliver food to families in need and bring care packages to breast cancer survivors in the community; and

WHEREAS, Darlene Cain began to cultivate her deep faith at a young age at Rocky Mount Baptist Church, and she remained a devoted member of the congregation throughout her life, serving as secretary of the missionary and hospitality ministries and assistant finance secretary; and

WHEREAS, Darlene Cain will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband of 37 years, Lorenzo; her daughter, Takisha, and her family; and many beloved members of her extended family and cherished friends; now, therefore, be it

RÉSOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Darlene Anderson Cain, a vibrant member of the Emporia 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 Darlene Anderson Cain as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.