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Offered February 23, 2022 *Celebrating the life of Virginia Ann Taylor.* 

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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 282** 

WHEREAS, Virginia Ann Taylor, an accomplished medical professional and beloved member of the Newport News community, died on July 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, after attending Walland High School in Walland, Tennessee, Virginia Taylor pursued medical training at Maryville College and Blount Memorial Hospital in Maryville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Taylor enjoyed a successful career in the field of medical administration and took positions around the world as she followed her husband, James, who was often posted abroad with the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Taylor spent several years at Fort Buchanan in Puerto Rico before residing in Germany, where she joined the civil service, working with the United States Army in the Office of the Command Surgeon; and

WHEREAS, after some time in Military Ocean Terminal at Bayonne in New Jersey, Virginia Taylor returned to Newport News, where she worked at Naval Station Norfolk, retiring in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Taylor continued to travel broadly in her retirement, visiting many countries with her husband, while taking many trips to Honduras with the United Methodist Friends of Barnabas; and

WHEREAS, after her retirement, Virginia Taylor continued to give generously of her time and talents in support of her fellow medical professionals in Newport News by volunteering at Mary Immaculate Hospital and in the neonatal intensive care unit at Riverside Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Taylor was highly involved with the Sister Cities of Newport News, allowing her to travel as a delegate to Japan, Germany, and China, and was a member of the Knollwood Garden Club and the Woman's Club of Newport; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout her life by her faith, Virginia Taylor enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community at Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church in Newport News, where she participated in the Wesleyan Sunday school class and the Barbara Liddick Circle; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Taylor will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her husband, James; her children, Jerry, Robert, and Lora, 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 Virginia Ann Taylor, a cherished member of the Newport News community whose kind and giving nature touched countless lives; 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 Virginia Ann Taylor as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.