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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 714

Offered February 16, 2023

*Celebrating the life of Margaret J. Smith.*

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WHEREAS, Margaret J. Smith, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and member of the Petersburg and Suffolk communities, died on August 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, after a distinguished career, Margaret Smith retired from the former Louise Obici School of Nursing in Suffolk, where she had worked tirelessly for the benefit of the school's students; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Smith raised her children with great tenderness and affection and loved to spend time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in her later years; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Smith contributed to the vitality of her community through her involvement with garden clubs in Petersburg and Colonial Heights and as a founding member of the Suffolk Pilot Club; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep faith, Margaret Smith enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community at Second Presbyterian Church in Petersburg for many years; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by her loving husband, Ralph, Sr., Margaret Smith will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her children, Barbara and Ralph, Jr., and their families and by 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 Margaret J. Smith, a cherished member of the Petersburg and Suffolk communities whose kindness and generosity 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 Margaret J. Smith as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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