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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 429

Offered February 18, 2000

*Designating April as Pearl S. Buck Month in Virginia.*

Patrons—Bryant; Senator: Newman

Consent to introduce

Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, Pearl S. Buck, an internationally known author and humanitarian, graduated in 1914 from Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg; and

WHEREAS, Pearl S. Buck was the first American woman to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature and received the Pulitzer Prize for her novel, The Good Earth; and

WHEREAS, Pearl S. Buck was the founder of the Pearl S. Buck Foundation, a worldwide organization that champions the cause of disadvantaged children, and the Welcome House, an international adoption agency that specializes in placing displaced and marginalized children; and

WHEREAS, these two organizations have consistently displayed strong support for families and communities around the globe; and

WHEREAS, the second annual Pearl S. Buck Award will be awarded at Randolph-Macon Woman's College in April 2000 to the Honourable Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of Bangladesh, a woman whose life exemplifies the humanitarian ideals of Pearl S. Buck; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby designate the month of April as Pearl S. Buck Month in Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the General Assembly urge all Virginians to honor the memory of Pearl S. Buck by recognizing the manifold accomplishments of the humanitarian organizations she founded and supported.

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