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Celebrating the life of Nancy Bradford McCord.

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WHEREAS, Nancy Bradford McCord of Christiansburg, a respected citizen and community activist, died on October 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, a native of Atlanta, Georgia, Nancy McCord was born on November 27, 1942, and was one of two daughters; and

WHEREAS, Nancy McCord received a degree in social welfare from Florida State University and spent much of her youth traveling around the United States and South America while working for personnel placement companies and in restaurant management before moving back to Atlanta to start a new life with her loving husband, Johnny; and

WHEREAS, an adventurous and intrepid woman, Nancy McCord traveled around the world and loved learning new things and continued to do so her entire life, including rappelling in her 30s, snow skiing in her 40s, racquetball in her 50s, and rollerblading and rollerskating in her 60s; and

WHEREAS, with many talents and skills, Nancy McCord worked in after-care supervision in a psychiatric hospital, as an interior decorator, and as a residential real estate agent over a long and successful work life; and

WHEREAS, actively involved in the community, Nancy McCord gave generously of her time and talents to various organizations, including volunteering at a local elementary school and the Cranwell International Center at Virginia Tech, where she worked with graduate Chinese students to help them improve their English and learn about American culture; and

WHEREAS, dedicated and hard working, Nancy McCord spent the last 10 years as an active participant in the eminent domain/property rights fight in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Nancy McCord's grassroots activism and leadership helped with the successful passage of legislation protecting private property rights; and

WHEREAS, Nancy McCord will be fondly remembered for her kind and generous nature and will be greatly missed by her loving husband, daughter, and two grandsons, and many friends and admirers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly mourn the passing of a fine community volunteer and outstanding Virginian, Nancy Bradford McCord; 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 Nancy Bradford McCord as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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