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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 205

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Celebrating the life of Maria Elena Carucci Turano.

Patron—Dance

WHEREAS, Maria Elena Carucci Turano, a "world class" wife and mother who brought a cheerful spirit and warm smile to state government during her more than 25 years as secretary to several members of the Virginia House of Delegates, died on February 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a native of New York City, Maria Elena Turano graduated from St. Helena's High School and attended Berkeley College before joining Morgan Guaranty Trust Company as secretary to the vice president; and

WHEREAS, in 1963 Maria Elena Turano married the love of her life, Lou, and the young couple relocated to Colonial Heights and embarked on their life together; and

WHEREAS, Maria Elena Turano devoted herself to her family for many years, raising two children and taking part in community affairs; and

WHEREAS, for more than 25 years, Maria Elena Turano served as secretary to various members of the Virginia House of Delegates, working professionally with legislative staff and members and responding to constituent concerns; and

WHEREAS, known for her loving nature and positive approach to life, Maria Elena Turano made many friends at the General Assembly and brightened the day of everyone she met; and

WHEREAS, a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, Maria Elena Turano was also an accomplished bridge player and earned her Life Masters Status in duplicate bridge; enjoyed sewing, arts and crafts, cooking, and entertaining; and traveled the world; and

WHEREAS, a woman of remarkable spirit, Maria Elena Turano will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband, Lou; children, Louis III and Neva, and their families, including grandchildren, Alexandra, Gabriella, Barrett, and Maria Elena; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of a beloved citizen of the Commonwealth, Maria Elena Carucci Turano; 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 Maria Elena Carucci Turano as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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