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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 789

Offered February 8, 2015

Celebrating the life of Samantha Rahn Bedell.

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Patrons—Hugo, Albo, Bell, Robert B., Byron, Filler-Corn, Howell, Keam, LeMunyon, Miller, Ramadan, Rust and Surovell; Senators: Norment, Obenshain, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw and Stosch

WHEREAS, Samantha Rahn Bedell, a native of Fairfax County and a beloved daughter, sister, aunt, and friend, died on January 25, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Samantha Bedell grew up in Springfield, where she made many lifelong friends; she graduated from West Springfield High School and Radford University; and

WHEREAS, a generous supporter of her community, Samantha Bedell offered her time and talents to numerous charitable causes; and

WHEREAS, Samantha Bedell spread joy to everyone she met with her bright smile and infectious laugh; and

WHEREAS, Samantha Bedell cared deeply for her family and was a devoted daughter, sister, aunt, and friend; she also enjoyed music, animals, and outdoor activities; and

WHEREAS, Samantha Bedell enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Samantha Bedell will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her parents, Constance and Robert; siblings, Anthony, Diana, and Michele; 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 Samantha Rahn Bedell, a beloved native of Fairfax County; 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 Samantha Rahn Bedell as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.