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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 270

Offered February 23, 2015

Celebrating the life of Violet Kaleh Carmona Bateman.

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WHEREAS, Violet Kaleh Carmona Bateman, a distinguished volunteer and community activist in Herndon, died on December 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Herndon, Violet Bateman passionately served and supported the community as a member of what is now the Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce for almost 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Violet Bateman promoted the idea of a local community center and worked tirelessly to secure funding for what would become the Herndon Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Violet Bateman was also a member of the committee that developed the Herndon Harbor House, an affordable housing project for elderly residents; she formed Herndon Harbor Housing, Inc., a nonprofit organization, to raise money for the project; and

WHEREAS, with Violet Bateman's exceptional leadership and the support of the Town of Herndon and the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Redevelopment Authority, the Herndon Harbor House opened on October 9, 1998; and

WHÊREAS, Violet Bateman earned many awards and accolades for her good work, including the Herndon Dulles Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award in 2009 and recognition from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, Violet Bateman enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as an active member of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, and she had most recently lived in Bealeton on her daughter and son-in-law's farm; and

WHEREAS, Violet Bateman will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her children, Richard, Gregory, and Carla Jean, and their families 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 Violet Kaleh Carmona Bateman, an admired volunteer and community leader in Herndon; 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 Violet Kaleh Carmona Bateman as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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