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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 380

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Celebrating the life of Arthur Duane Fender, Jr.

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WHEREAS, Arthur Duane Fender, Jr., who inspired countless students throughout the course of his 33-year career at Fork Union Military Academy, died on December 6, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Summerville, South Carolina, Duane Fender graduated from Summerville High School in 1978 and attended Fork Union Military Academy for one year before he was accepted to The Citadel; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from The Citadel, Duane Fender returned to Fork Union Military Academy as an officer in the Commandant's Department; over the next 33 years, he served the academy in a variety of capacities; and

WHEREAS, from 1983 to 1999, Duane Fender served as an assistant coach of the football team, deputy commandant, assistant director of admissions, manager of the Sabre Shop, activities director, and transportation officer; and

WHEREAS, Duane Fender served as assistant athletic director for building and grounds until 2010, when he returned to the Commandant's Department; he was officially named commandant of cadets in the summer of 2016; and

WHEREAS, Duane Fender will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Lynn; daughters, Lauren and Lindsay, 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 Arthur Duane Fender, Jr., the highly respected commandant of cadets at Fork Union Military Academy; 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 Arthur Duane Fender, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.