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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 417

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Celebrating the life of Sarah Danielle Sanders.

Patrons—O'Quinn, Adams, D.M., Austin, Bourne, Boysko, Cole, Guzman, Heretick, Hope, Hurst, Krizek, Landes, Lindsey, Morefield, Pillion, Rasoul, Thomas, Turpin and Ware; Senators: Ebbin, Howell, Marsden, Spruill and Stanley

WHEREAS, Sarah Danielle Sanders, a loving daughter and sister, active Abingdon resident, and beloved teacher at John S. Battle High School, died on February 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Sanders grew up in Southwest Virginia and attended Rural Retreat High School; she later earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in history from Emory & Henry College; and

WHEREAS, a gifted educator known for her compassion for her students and her quirky sense of humor, Sarah Sanders served on the faculty of John S. Battle High School in Bristol for 14 years; along with teaching American and world history, she chaired the social studies department for four years; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Sanders coached the debate team at John S. Battle High School, served as chair of the social committee, and assisted with the school's yearly musical; she also served as a summer school teacher in Washington County; and

WHEREAS, in her spare time, Sarah Sanders indulged her love of history by participating in local Civil War reenactments and working with Tombstone Trackers, a group that locates unmarked graves; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Sanders was a member of the Historical Society of Washington County, Virginia, as well as the Daughters of the American Revolution; a woman of strong faith, she was active in her local church community; and

WHEREAS, a loyal and devoted friend, Sarah Sanders was a passionate Duke University fan and a lifelong animal lover who cared for two pet cats, Kizzie and Joey; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Sanders will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her parents, Fielden and Susan; her sister, Ashley, and her family; and countless other family members, close friends, and Abingdon residents; 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 Sarah Danielle Sanders, a dedicated teacher who touched the lives of numerous students; 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 Sarah Danielle Sanders as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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