## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 396**

Celebrating the life of Maxine Lyons Silver.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 18, 2019 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 19, 2019

WHEREAS, Maxine Lyons Silver, a loving wife and mother who enhanced community life in Fredericksburg by supporting philanthropic causes, died on September 19, 2018; and

WHEREAS, born in New York City, Maxine Silver relocated to the Commonwealth with her family at a young age and grew up in Fredericksburg; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Silver attended Lafayette Elementary School and James Monroe High School in Fredericksburg; after graduating from Ward-Belmont College, she moved to New York City to work as a fashion model, living with a cousin and creating lasting memories there; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Silver moved back to Fredericksburg in 1944 and began working for the war effort at Fort Belvoir; a few years later she married Carl D. Silver at the original synagogue in Fredericksburg, Beth Sholom Temple, where her parents were founding members; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Silver was an active member of the Fredericksburg community throughout her life and was passionate about making a positive impact by giving back to local children and families in need; and

WHEREAS, throughout their 60-year marriage, Maxine Silver proudly supported charitable efforts by her and her late husband, Carl D. Silver; these contributions included the Lloyd F. Moss Free Clinic, Mary Washington Healthcare, Boys & Girls Club of Fredericksburg, and Loisann's Hope House, named in memory of their daughter; and

WHEREAS, known as much for her principled generosity as for her elegance and grace, Maxine Silver brought joy to everyone she met through her charm, sense of humor, and unsurpassed kindness; and

WHEREAS, Maxine Silver will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her loving son, Larry D. Silver, and his family, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Maxine Lyons Silver, a loving mother and wife who supported philanthropic causes in Fredericksburg; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Maxine Lyons Silver as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.