SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 43

Celebrating the life of Nancy Mulcahy Sweet.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 2, 2020

WHEREAS, Nancy Mulcahy Sweet, an active and cherished member of the Harrisonburg community, died on September 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, born in Winchester, Massachusetts, and graduating from Mount Ida College, Nancy Sweet lived in Topeka, Kansas; Glens Falls, New York; and Richmond before settling in Harrisonburg in 1957, where she would raise her family and reside for the rest of her life; and

WHEREAS, invested in the well-being of Harrisonburg's children, Nancy Sweet served as the leader of Girl Scout Troop 478, the president of the Harrisonburg High School Parent Teacher Association, and on the Harrisonburg City School Board; and

WHEREAS, committed to making Harrisonburg a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family, Nancy Sweet gave generously of her time and talents to several community organizations, serving as president of the Spotswood Garden Club and the Harrisonburg Junior Women's Club and on the board of the Shenandoah Valley Music Festival; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her years of service, Nancy Sweet received a Woman of Achievement Award from the Harrisonburg Business and Professional Women's Club in 1968; and

WHEREAS, appointed as the magistrate for the City of Harrisonburg in 1974, Nancy Sweet made history as the first woman to hold this position, which she served in for many years; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout life by her deep and abiding faith, Nancy Sweet was a longtime member of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Harrisonburg, where she served as president of the church's Ladies Sodality and enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by her husband, Lyle, Nancy Sweet will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her children, Ann, Dana, Jean, and Patrick, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of Nancy Mulcahy Sweet, who supported countless individuals and families in Harrisonburg as a volunteer, civic leader, and friend; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Nancy Mulcahy Sweet as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for her memory.