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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 283

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Celebrating the life of Yvonne Leonard.

Patrons—Askew, Convirs-Fowler and Guy

WHEREAS, Yvonne Leonard, an active and beloved member of the Virginia Beach community, died on March 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in New York City, Yvonne Leonard was a devoted member of the Virginia Beach Democratic Committee for many years, serving previously as secretary and chair of precincts and as a regular and unifying presence in the Timberlake Precinct; and

WHEREAS, a master gardener, Yvonne Leonard was a passionate member of the Tidewater Daylily Society, a local chapter of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS), and co-chaired the AHS national convention held in Norfolk in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne Leonard was an engaged member of her community through the Virginia Beach Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., serving on various committees to further the organization's social mission; and

WHEREAS, an avid admirer of the arts, Yvonne Leonard volunteered at the Chrysler Museum of Art and at the Virginia Arts Festival at Attucks Theater, both in Norfolk, and regularly attended events in support of the local arts community; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout her life by her deep and abiding faith, Yvonne Leonard enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community at First Baptist Church in Norfolk, where she was involved in both the cancer survivors' ministry and the political action ministry; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne Leonard will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her daughter, MacKenzie, 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 Yvonne Leonard, a cherished member of the Virginia Beach community whose unwavering kindness and generosity touched countless lives; 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 Yvonne Leonard as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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