

2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 610

Celebrating the life of Adele Maire Gagliardi.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 27, 2021

WHEREAS, Adele Maire Gagliardi, an esteemed attorney and civil servant and a beloved member of the Arlington and East Lansing, Michigan, communities, died on February 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, born in Ontario, Canada, and raised in Drummond Island, Michigan, Adele Gagliardi earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and her Juris Doctor degree from Wayne State University; she would later be selected for and complete the Senior Managers in Government Program at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government; and

WHEREAS, Adele Gagliardi began her illustrious career with the federal government as a Presidential Management Fellow, the flagship leadership development program of the United States Office of Personnel Management; and

WHEREAS, Adele Gagliardi supported the efforts of the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) of the United States Department of Labor in various roles, including as division chief for policy, legislation, and regulation in the Office of Policy Development and Research and as regional director for the Office of State Systems in ETA Region 5, overseeing federal, employment-related grants to Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Adele Gagliardi attained the highest possible federal civil service designation early in her career when she was appointed to the Senior Executive Service by President Barack H. Obama, serving as an administrator of the Office of Policy Development and Research within the ETA of the United States Department of Labor; and

WHEREAS, residing briefly in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, Adele Gagliardi participated in a Department of Labor executive exchange program between the governments of the United States of America and Canada, acquiring valuable experience that enhanced her ability to serve the country and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Adele Gagliardi was recognized by President Barack H. Obama for her exemplary leadership of the team that drafted rules and regulations to implement the Workplace Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014; and

WHEREAS, Adele Gagliardi will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her loving husband, Antonio; her mother and stepfather, Theila and Phil; her father and stepmother, Patrick and Debra; her sisters, Lisa Jo, Laura, and Michelle; 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 Adele Maire Gagliardi, a distinguished civil servant whose unwavering kindness, generosity, and dedication to the country 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 Adele Maire Gagliardi as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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