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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 523

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*Celebrating the life of Carlton Farquhar Andrus.*

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WHEREAS, Carlton Farquhar Andrus, a distinguished civil servant who served the nation as a legislative assistant in the United States Congress and as a deputy budget officer of the U.S. Government Accountability Office, died on February 7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Carlton Andrus was born into a family that could trace its origins in North America to the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and as the first member to be born in New York City, he was affectionately known by many as "Knickerbocker" or "Nick"; and

WHEREAS, Nick Andrus graduated from Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts, and Brown University before embarking on an illustrious career in politics and civil service; and

WHEREAS, after serving on the staff of U.S. Senator Everett M. Dirksen and as treasurer of the D.C. Young Republicans, Nick Andrus contributed to the 1968 election campaign and 1969 inauguration of President Richard M. Nixon; and

WHEREAS, Nick Andrus subsequently filled a variety of legislative affairs positions at the former U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare for seven years before beginning a nearly four-year stint as a legislative assistant to U.S. Senators Harry F. Byrd and Robert C. Byrd; and

WHEREAS, from 1981 until his retirement in 2006, Nick Andrus served in the U.S. Government Accountability Office, where he attained the position of deputy budget officer and helped ensure the efficient and effective operation of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished singer, Nick Andrus sang in three church choirs and was a member of the Harmony Heritage Singers, the Mount Vernon chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, serving as the organization's president; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated and engaged member of his community, Nick Andrus was highly involved in his local Meals on Wheels program and the Alexandria chapter of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, which he served as president; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by his daughter, Kathleen, Nick Andrus will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife, Katherine; his children, Elizabeth, Mary, Robin, and Margaret, 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 Carlton Farquhar Andrus, an esteemed federal civil servant whose unwavering kindness and generosity touched countless lives; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Carlton Farquhar Andrus as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.

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