## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 193**

Celebrating the life of Alma Lee Schaffer.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 11, 2022

WHEREAS, Alma Lee Schaffer, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and member of the Richmond community, died on February 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, born in North Carolina as an only child, Lee Schaffer grew up in Durham and attended Duke University, earning a degree in English in 1958; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Lee Schaffer moved with her husband, Richard, to Essex, England, following his deployment with the United States Air Force, returning to the United States three years later and settling in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Lee Schaffer was known to have an insatiable curiosity for other cultures and became involved in Friendship Force International, which provided her the opportunity to visit other countries and to share in their customs and traditions; and

WHEREAS, Lee Schaffer was a founding member of the Dunlora Women's Club of Richmond, serving the community through philanthropic giving and various other forms of engagement; and

WHEREAS, Lee Schaffer was a voracious reader, co-founding the First Edition Book Club in 1967, and was a gourmet cook, regularly hosting internationally themed dinners for groups in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, with great interest in and affection for her hometown, Lee Schaffer served as a tour guide for Richmond historic trolley tours for several years; and

WHEREAS, guided by her faith, Lee Schaffer was an active member of River Road Baptist Church in Richmond, where she was in charge of the Sunday school program; and

WHEREAS, Lee Schaffer will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her loving husband of 62 years, Richard; her children, Rebecca, Rick, Reed, and Kate, and their families; and numerous family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Alma Lee Schaffer, an unabashed anglophile, a dedicated mother, and a respected member of the Richmond community; 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 Alma Lee Schaffer as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.