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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 618

Offered April 6, 2022

Celebrating the life of Rebecca Gail Burruss.

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WHEREAS, Rebecca Gail Burruss, an esteemed social services professional and beloved member of the Roanoke community, died on January 21, 2022; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from St. Margaret's School in Tappahannock, Gail Burruss earned a bachelor's degree from Randolph-Macon Woman's College and a master's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; and

WHEREAS, Gail Burruss devoted her life to social services, working tirelessly for the benefit of vulnerable members of the community while committing the last 30 years of her career to Blue Ridge Behavioral Health Services, where she retired as a supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Gail Burruss was a tireless advocate and activist for the Roanoke community, serving with both the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority and the Mill Mountain Conservancy while playing an instrumental role in preserving the character of Mill Mountain and other local endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Gail Burruss' extensive engagement with her community included service as the president of the local chapter of the American Association of University Women and as a member of myriad other state, regional, and local boards; and

WHEREAS, Gail Burruss will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her sisters, Jane and Carol, and their families and by numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Rebecca Gail Burruss, a cherished member of the Roanoke community whose generosity and dedication impacted 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 Rebecca Gail Burruss as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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