

## 2023 SESSION

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### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 150

*Celebrating the life of Cindy Jackson.*

Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2023

WHEREAS, Cindy Jackson, a library specialist and overseer of the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Libraries' Comic Arts Collection for many years, has passed away at the age of 53; and

WHEREAS, overseer of a once modest collection of comics and newspapers, Cindy Jackson leaves behind not only one of the largest comic collections of its kind but a long legacy of inspiration and service to VCU; and

WHEREAS, after receiving a bachelor's degree in information systems and a master's degree in English from VCU, Cindy Jackson began her time at VCU Libraries as a student employee in 1996 and was then hired in 2005 to oversee a collection that, without her guidance, would be nowhere near what it has flourished to today; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Cindy Jackson nearly single-handedly pioneered the growth of the VCU Libraries Comic Arts Collection, making it known as one of the nation's most distinguished archives of comics, comic arts, and comic scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Cindy Jackson's deep knowledge of comics aided VCU Libraries in achieving its status as the official repository for the Will Eisner Comic Industry Awards, regarded as one of the highest honors in its field; and

WHEREAS, from maintaining the collection to conducting informational sessions and developing exhibits, Cindy Jackson served as the face of this great collection and not only preserved history on paper, but in altering the lives of those who will go on to make history as the result of having the privilege of knowing her; and

WHEREAS, Cindy Jackson will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by numerous family members, friends, colleagues, and comic book fans across the Commonwealth and the nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby commend Cindy Jackson and celebrate a life dedicated to service and passion to the field of comic arts and bettering the greater VCU community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Cindy Jackson as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for her memory.

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