

2022 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 230

Celebrating the life of Candace Lee Strother.

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

WHEREAS, Candace Lee Strother, an esteemed social worker with Prince William County and beloved member of the Gainesville community, died on September 18, 2021; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Clawson High School in Clawson, Michigan, in 1973, Candace Strother earned a bachelor's degree from Hillsdale College and later a master's degree in social work from Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, a licensed clinical social worker, Candace Strother had a rich and varied career that included various positions in radio and television broadcasting and the federal government; and

WHEREAS, in 1983, Candace Strother served in President Ronald W. Reagan's administration in the Office of Public Liaison as a special assistant to the president for education; and

WHEREAS, for the last 17 years, Candace Strother served as an emergency services social worker for Prince William County, providing emergency mental health and substance abuse assessments and crisis intervention to support the well-being of many; and

WHEREAS, Candace Strother maintained a private counseling practice, guiding individuals and families in need as they worked through their problems; and

WHEREAS, Candace Strother was passionate about improving her community through the political process, serving as president of the Loudoun County Republican Women's Club and finance chair of the Loudoun County Republican Committee and volunteering for many campaigns over the years; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout her life by her faith, Candace Strother was involved in the Church of Christ, founding a prison ministry program for women, teaching classes in her local congregation, and speaking at various ladies day events; and

WHEREAS, Candace Strother will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her siblings Eric and Cortney 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 Candace Lee Strother, a cherished member of the Gainesville community whose kindness and generosity 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 Candace Lee Strother as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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