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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 168

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Celebrating the life of Sharon Jones.

Patron—Convirs-Fowler

WHEREAS, Sharon Jones, a highly admired leader in the field of criminal justice who touched countless lives over the course of her 30-year career, died on November 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Jones held a bachelor's degree in social work from Virginia Commonwealth University and a master's degree in business administration from Strayer University; and

WHEREAS, after first serving as a state probation and parole officer, Sharon Jones was promoted to the deputy director of Prince William County Criminal Justice Services; and

WHEREAS, since 2005, Sharon Jones had served as the administrator of Virginia Beach Community Corrections and Pretrial, bringing exciting energy, innovative problem solving skills, and service-oriented leadership to her team; and

WHEREAS, respected by her peers for her professional engagement, Sharon Jones was an active member of the Virginia Beach Re-Entry Council and a longtime member of the Virginia Community Criminal Justice Association, where she held several positions including a member of the executive board; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Jones enjoyed traveling and experiencing other cultures and especially loved visiting the beach to collect shells and playing Bunco with friends; she brought joy to everyone she met through her bright smile and unfailing kindness; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Jones will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her loving husband, Van; her daughters, Allison and April; and by numerous other family members, friends, and the many people whose lives were touched by her commitment to the study of human behavior and service to the Virginia Beach community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Sharon Jones; 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 Sharon Jones as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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