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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 303

Offered February 25, 2022

Celebrating the life of Teresa Makenzie Sperry.

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32 33 Patrons—Convirs-Fowler, Clark, Helmer, Hope, Jenkins, Kory, Rasoul and Simonds; Senators: Deeds, Howell and Spruill

WHEREAS, Teresa Makenzie Sperry, a fifth grade student at Hillpoint Elementary School in Suffolk and a beloved member of the Suffolk community, died on September 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry had attended Hillpoint Elementary School since pre-kindergarten, where she participated in several Little Miss Hillpoint pageants to help raise money for the March of Dimes; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry was a proud member of Troop 313 of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America and enjoyed spending time with her fellow sister scouts at meetings, cookie booths, or other outings; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry had an appreciation for the arts and loved to draw, dance around her home, and sing whenever she could; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry's kind and generous spirit drew people to her and she formed strong and nearly inseparable bonds with several close friends; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry was a curious and inquiring child who loved reading and was always developing new interests and hobbies, recently learning how to sew; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry was at home in the outdoors, whether riding her bike, rollerskating, or playing at the park, and would often take the time to savor a sunset or look up at the moon and stars; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry was happiest when spending time with her family, who cared for her deeply and showered her with love and affection every opportunity they had; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Sperry will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her loving parents, Nicole and Jeff; her brothers, Jonathan, Sean, and Michael; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 Teresa Makenzie Sperry, a cherished member of the Suffolk community whose passion and enthusiasm for life inspired all who knew her; and, be it

RESOLVED FÜRTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Teresa Makenzie Sperry as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.