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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 314

Offered February 28, 2022

*Celebrating the life of Janie Lawson Dockery.*

Patron—Kilgore

WHEREAS, Janie Lawson Dockery, an esteemed family services professional and beloved member of the Wise County community, died on January 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Janie Dockery dedicated the early years of her career to the organization Family Crisis Support Services, helping individuals and families in the City of Norton and Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee, Russell, Scott, and Wise Counties in their time of need; and

WHEREAS, Janie Dockery most recently served as director of the Southwest Virginia Children's Advocacy Center at Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc., overseeing a facility that provides safety and comprehensive care to children who are victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, Janie Dockery has been the consummate caretaker all of her life, transitioning naturally from raising her family, to caring for her parents, to indulging her grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, beyond spending time with her family, Janie Dockery's favorite pastimes in life included gardening and preparing flowers and being on the water, be it a pool, lake, or beach; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout her life by her faith, Janie Dockery enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community at Mary's Chapel Church in Coeburn for many years, where she proudly served in the church choir; and

WHEREAS, Janie Dockery will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her loving husband, Eddie, Sr.; her children, Heather, Laura Lee, and Anita, and their families; 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 Janie Lawson Dockery, a cherished member of the Wise County 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 Janie Lawson Dockery as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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