HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 984

Celebrating the life of Felicia Boyd.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, October 29, 2025

WHEREAS, Felicia Boyd, an honorable veteran, devoted mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, and beloved member of the Portsmouth and Suffolk communities, died on June 20, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of love, faith, and service to others; and

WHEREAS, born on March 6, 1961, in Portsmouth to Howard Boyd, Sr., and Velma E. Boyd, Felicia Boyd grew up in a close-knit family as the fourth of eight children; and

WHEREAS, Felicia Boyd attended Portsmouth Public Schools and graduated from what was formerly Woodrow Wilson High School, where she ran for the track and field team and played the violin in the Tidewater Area Musicians Youth Orchestra under the direction of the renowned Dr. Jerlene Harding, performing in cities across the country; and

WHEREAS, following her graduation, Felicia Boyd honorably served her country by enlisting in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Texas and California; and

WHEREAS, after completing her military service, Felicia Boyd returned to Hampton Roads and began her distinguished career of serving her community, beginning with working with the Portsmouth Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Felicia Boyd later worked at healthcare facilities in Fredericksburg, came back home to join the Portsmouth Sheriff's Office as a deputy sheriff, and eventually returned to her calling in health care, dedicating over 20 years of service to the Chesapeake Regional Medical Center, where she touched countless lives; and

WHEREAS, Felicia Boyd will be lovingly remembered by her children, Tiffany, Jessica, and James, and their families; her mother, Velma; 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 Felicia Boyd, whose warm spirit, strength, and unwavering faith inspired all who knew her; 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 Felicia Boyd as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.