

2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5195

Celebrating the life of Edith Logan Sheppard Ott.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014

Agreed to by the Senate, September 18, 2014

WHEREAS, Edith Logan Sheppard Ott of Richmond, a respected psychologist and a dedicated alumna of the University of Mary Washington, died on June 9, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Richmond, Edith Ott graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School and earned a bachelor's degree from what is now the University of Mary Washington; and

WHEREAS, Edith Ott began her professional career at the Virginia Treatment Center for Children and Westbrook Psychiatric Hospital, then earned a doctorate from Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, Edith Ott shared her expertise as a faculty member at the University of Richmond and a staff psychologist at the Center for Psychological Services and Development before serving the community through her private practice from 1989 to 2006; and

WHEREAS, as a founding member of the Gestalt Institute of Richmond, Edith Ott helped provide innovative personal and professional development programs to the Richmond community; and

WHEREAS, an active leader in the University of Mary Washington community throughout her life, Edith Ott served as a member and president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors and a member of the Board of Visitors, the President's Council on Sustainability, and the Class of 1959 Reunion Committee; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Edith Ott received the Frances Liebenow Armstrong '36 Service Award, which recognizes a University of Mary Washington alumna who has demonstrated exceptional support for and dedication to the university and its students; and

WHEREAS, Edith Ott will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband of 55 years, Matthew, Jr.; children, Heather, Meredith, and Matthew III, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; 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 Edith Logan Sheppard Ott, a respected therapist and proud alumna of the University of Mary Washington; 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 Edith Logan Sheppard Ott as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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