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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 673

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On the death of James Vance Miller.

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Patrons—Shuler; Senator: Edwards

WHEREAS, James Vance Miller of Blacksburg, an accomplished American impressionist artist, died on January 21, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a native of Princeton, James Miller spent many years in West Virginia before moving to Blacksburg in 1955; and

WHEREAS, James Miller was a successful salesman for Harry Crismond and A and U Mobile Homes in Blacksburg; and

WHEREAS, James Miller delighted in capturing the splendor of God's creation in his impressionist paintings, especially at Little Stoney Creek in the Jefferson National Forest, one of the artist's favorite places to reflect, paint, and enjoy the beauty of Giles County; and

WHEREAS, well exhibited in one-man shows in several states, James Miller was also honored with a Museum Show at the Atlanta-Marietta Museum in Georgia in 1997; and

WHEREAS, James Miller was an original founder of the Palette Art Gallery in Christiansburg; and

WHEREAS, James Miller will be long remembered through his many wonderful paintings in the homes of admirers across the country and abroad and is sorely missed by his loving family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with sadness the passing of a talented and valuable citizen of the Commonwealth, James Vance Miller; 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 James Vance Miller as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.