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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 297

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On the death of Roy Stanley.

Patrons—Reynolds; Delegate: Armstrong

WHEREAS, Roy Stanley of Roanoke, the dean of Virginia's television sportscasters, died on April 9, 2002; and

WHEREAS, a native of Wytheville and a graduate of George Wythe High School, Roy Stanley began his career as a sports reporter at Roanoke's WDBJ-TV in 1972; and

WHEREAS, for the past 20 years, Roy Stanley served as weekend sports anchor at WDBJ, where he became one of the most popular and respected sports journalists in the Roanoke Valley; and

WHEREAS, Roy Stanley is remembered for his unparalleled ability to earn the respect and trust of the athletes and coaches he covered; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his ability and his long and successful tenure at WDBJ, Roy Stanley was honored with the prestigious Marshall Johnson Award from the Virginia High School Coaches Association; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, Roy Stanley was the recipient of the Image Award from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and had been nominated for induction into the Wythe County Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated family man, an outstanding citizen, and an exceptionally skilled, talented, and popular sports journalist, Roy Stanley will be sorely missed by the athletes whose stories he told and the audience who watched and listened; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly note with sadness the untimely passing of a fine Virginian, Roy Stanley; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Roy Stanley as an expression of the high regard in which his memory is held by the members of the General Assembly.

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