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## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 447**

Offered January 21, 2005

Celebrating the life of Herman Key, Jr.

Patrons-Deeds; Delegates: Abbitt, Bell, Janis, Landes and Van Yahres

5 WHEREAS, Herman Key, Jr., of Charlottesville, an athlete, community activist, and 10-year member
7 of the Charlottesville Planning Commission, died on June 20, 2004; and

8 WHEREAS, a graduate of Fluvanna High School, where he starred on the football team, and of the
9 University of Virginia, Herman Key, Jr., was assistant director of the Independence Resource Center in
10 Charlottesville; and

WHEREAS, Herman Key, Jr., specialized in the Americans with Disabilities Act at the Independence
 Resource Center, helping individuals with disabilities to manage and control their own lives; and

WHEREAS, on the Charlottesville Planning Commission, Herman Key, Jr., was one of the leaders of
 numerous neighborhood improvement efforts, including the Transition Zoning Ordinance, which was
 tested in his own neighborhood of Fifeville; and

WHEREAS, Herman Key, Jr., also served the residents of Charlottesville on the Housing Policy Task
Force and the Piedmont Housing Alliance and was named in 2002 to the Virginia Real Estate Board,
where he chaired the Fair Housing Committee; and

19 WHEREAS, Herman Key, Jr., was captain of the Charlottesville Cardinals wheelchair basketball
 20 team for nearly 20 years, where his aggressive play mirrored his aggressive leadership in the
 21 Charlottesville community; and

WHEREAS, Herman Key, Jr.'s contributions to the Charlottesville community were many and
 lasting, and he will be missed by the people with disabilities and the everyday citizens of Charlottesville
 whom he served with such diligence and effectiveness; now, therefore, be it

**25** RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby 26 note with great sadness the loss of an exceptional citizen of Charlottesville, Herman Key, Jr.; and, be it

27 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for
28 presentation to the family of Herman Key, Jr., as an expression of the respect in which his memory is
29 held by the members of the General Assembly.

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