

2006 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 414

Celebrating the life of Harry A. Snyder.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 3, 2006
Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2006

WHEREAS, Harry A. Snyder, respected scholar and man of faith, died February 12, 2006, in Norfolk; and

WHEREAS, Harry Snyder was for the past 20 years the revered gabbai at Temple Israel, where he was in charge of coordinating the daily morning and evening services; and

WHEREAS, Harry Snyder began studying the Torah at age four, was a graduate of The College of William and Mary, and received a doctorate in microbiology from the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, a public servant, he was the director of Public Health for the City of Norfolk as well as a member of the faculty of Eastern Virginia Medical School; and

WHEREAS, known for his quiet passion, Harry Snyder read both Hebrew and Aramaic and assisted others who were learning the prayers, and he was knowledgeable in a wide variety of areas from politics to poetry; and

WHEREAS, Harry Snyder was an Orthodox Jew, always living within walking distance of the synagogue, and he was traditional in some ways but valued change such as participating with women in services; and

WHEREAS, Harry Snyder was a devoted husband to his wife Lillian and loving father to their son; and

WHEREAS, Harry Snyder's life was defined by his deep and abiding faith and his commitment to the service of others; 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 a great scholar and Virginian, Harry A. Snyder; 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 Harry A. Snyder as an expression of the honor in which his memory is held by the members of the General Assembly.

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