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## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 153**

Offered January 18, 2006

3 Celebrating the life of Marie Butler Thomas.

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5 WHEREAS, Marie Butler Thomas, a native of Carrsville and the daughter of the late John and
7 Mildred Butler, died on October 1, 2005; and

8 WHEREAS, Marie Butler Thomas was born on March 20, 1900, in Carrsville, attended area schools,9 and later moved to East Orange, New Jersey, where she lived for over 50 years; and

10 WHEREAS, Marie Butler Thomas married the late McKinley Thomas, also from New Jersey, and 11 they had one daughter, Beatrice Lawrence; and

WHEREAS, as a caring and outgoing young person, Marie Butler Thomas was active in local
activities and was a dedicated member of Pulaski Baptist Church in Carrsville; after moving to New
Jersey, she became a devoted member of Union Baptist Church in East Orange; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate citizen, who was always helpful to her neighbors and dutiful to the
 needs of the community, Marie Butler Thomas will be remembered for her generous, kind, and loving
 nature; and

WHEREAS, Marie Butler Thomas will be sorely missed by her family, her numerous friends and admirers, the residents of Carrsville, and the congregation of Union Baptist Church; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly mourn the passing of a fine Virginian, Marie Butler Thomas; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Marie Butler Thomas as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.