

2007 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 313

Celebrating the life of Janett Flood Williams.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 18, 2007
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 26, 2007

WHEREAS, Janett Flood Williams of Norfolk, a beloved citizen who was dedicated to the well being and ministry of children, died on May 14, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Janett "Janie" Flood was born to Rosa and Godwin Flood on July 21, 1911, in Bertie County, North Carolina, and was the sibling of nine brothers and a sister; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Elizabeth City State University, Janett Flood moved to Norfolk where she worked at the Naval Supply Center; and

WHEREAS, in 1951, Janett Flood met and fell in love with Pastor D. Lawrence Williams and the couple had 14 wonderful children; and

WHEREAS, Janett Williams, called "Mother Dear" by everyone who loved and admired her, was an amazing mother and a strong and compassionate woman who always looked after not only the needs of her own children but also the needs of other family members and friends; and

WHEREAS, as the spiritual partner of Bishop Williams and the first lady of Mason Memorial Church of God in Christ, Janett Williams was a dedicated and inspirational advocate for children in the church, as well as in the community; and

WHEREAS, as a devoted pastor's wife, Janett Williams lived a life of service to others and was actively involved in countless church ministries and activities; and

WHEREAS, Janett Williams will be fondly remembered for her kind and generous nature and greatly missed by her adoring children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and other family members, as well as her numerous friends and admirers in the church and in the Norfolk community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly mourn the passing of a fine Virginian, Janett Flood Williams; and, be it

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

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