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### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6015

Offered June 23, 2008

*Celebrating the life of Owen Charles Yates, Jr.*

Patrons—Miller, Y.B., Barker, Deeds, Herring, Locke, Lucas, Marsh, Miller, J.C., Northam, Puckett, Puller and Quayle; Delegates: Alexander, Howell, A.T., Moran and Ware, O.

WHEREAS, Owen Charles Yates, Jr., a Richmond native and a beloved and respected citizen, died on May 14, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Owen Yates grew up in the City of Richmond, graduated from Armstrong High School, attended Virginia Union University, and attained the rank of commandant in the United States Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, Owen Yates was happily married for over 50 years to the late Sylvia M. Yates, and the couple have a wonderful family, including their two grandchildren, Valerie and Howard, and their beloved daughter, Troy Moss, and her husband Howard; and

WHEREAS, an enthusiastic community supporter, Owen Yates was a longtime member of the First African Baptist Church and then joined Saint Philip's Episcopal Church when he married his wife, Sylvia, where he remained a faithful member for five decades and was active in the church's many missions in the community; and

WHEREAS, Owen Yates loved flying and was a serious and experienced pilot, completed a solo cross-country flight, and spent many happy hours in his single-engine plane taking his friends and family on enjoyable excursions; and

WHEREAS, Owen Yates will be fondly remembered for his love of family and his loyalty to friends, and he will be greatly missed by his wonderful family and his many admirers in the City of Richmond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly note with great sadness the loss of an outstanding Virginian, Owen Charles Yates, Jr.; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Owen Charles Yates, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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