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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 890

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3 Celebrating the life of Edgar Kermit Wharton.

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5 6 WHEREAS, Edgar Kermit Wharton of the Town of Accomac, an outstanding community volunteer 7 and dedicated mortician, died on June 16, 2008; and 8 WHEREAS, a native of Accomac, Edgar Wharton was born on June 18, 1919, and graduated from 9 Virginia State University; and WHEREAS, a caring and humble man, Edgar Wharton served as a longtime mortician to the 10 Accomac community and was actively involved in the Virginia Morticians Association; and 11 WHEREAS, Edgar Wharton was recognized by his peers for his dedication to his profession with the 12 13 Norfolk Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association Leadership, Loyalty and Friendship Award; he 14 also received the Who's Who in Executive Professionals recognition in 1993 - 1994; and 15 WHEREAS, Edgar Wharton generously gave of his time and talents to various organizations in the 16 community, including the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Accomac/Georgetown F & AM Masonic Lodge No. 62, and the NAACP: and 17 WHEREAS, recognized for his administrative and leadership ability, Edgar Wharton served as a 18 19 member of the board of Shore Memorial Hospital and the Accomack County Electoral Board; and 20 WHEREAS, a man of many talents, Edgar Wharton especially enjoyed spending time with the 21 racehorses he owned; he also enjoyed cooking for family and friends; and 22 WHEREAS, with a life philosophy of "love, care, share," Edgar Wharton loved spending time with 23 friends and family and helping various individuals and causes in the community; and 24 WHEREAS, Edgar Wharton spent a lifetime caring for others and the work he has done speaks for 25 him; and WHEREAS, Edgar Wharton will be fondly remembered for his kind and generous nature and will be 26 27 greatly missed by his large and loving family and his numerous friends and admirers; now, therefore, be 28 29 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly mourn 30 the passing of a fine community volunteer and outstanding Virginian, Edgar Kermit Wharton; and, be it RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution 31 for presentation to the family of Edgar Kermit Wharton as an expression of the General Assembly's 32

33 respect for his memory.