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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 76

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Celebrating the life of Kenneth Fox Arnold.

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WHEREAS, Kenneth Fox Arnold, former Commissioner of the Revenue and Clerk of the Court for Northampton County, died August 19, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth "Kenny" Arnold graduated from Northampton High School and attended Ferrum College; he worked as a barber for 10 years before entering public service; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold was appointed the Commissioner of the Revenue for Northampton County at the age of 29 and served until 1990; he served as Clerk of the Court for Northampton County from 1990 until 2003; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold served in the Virginia Association of Local Elected Constitutional Officers, where he was a board member and former president and instituted the Virginia State Food Drive; he was also a member and past president of the Virginia Court Clerks' Association; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated and responsible public servant, Kenny Arnold was known for his friendly demeanor and professional manner as he served the citizens of Northampton County for three decades; and

WHEREAS, mindful of the needs of his community, Kenny Arnold served as a member and past master of Broadwater Lodge No. 71, and a member of the Khedive Shrine and Eastern Shore Royal Arch; he was also the former president of the Jaycees, Exmore Ruritan Club, Northampton Middle and High School PTA, and Shore Little League; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold headed the Northampton County Cancer Crusade Fund Drive, served as Cubmaster of the Shore, and was a charter member of the Northampton Fire and Rescue Squad; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold and his wife, Pat, organized and ran a special needs camp at Occohannock on the Bay for one week every summer; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold served as a member and director of the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce, member of the board of directors of AAA of Tidewater, and secretary of the Democratic Party for 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold was a member of the Eastern Shore Emmaus community and was a former board member and lay director; he was a lifelong member of Franktown United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold exhibited great faith and perseverance in the last years of his life as he dealt with the effects of an aneurysm and leaves behind a legacy of public service, integrity, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Arnold will be greatly missed by his wife, Patricia Tinsman Arnold; his son, Todd, and daughter, Teri, and their families; numerous other family members and friends; and the citizens of Northampton County; 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 dedicated public servant and outstanding Virginian, Kenneth Fox Arnold; 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 Kenneth Fox Arnold as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory and decades of public service.

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