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Celebrating the life of Alyce Juanita Lightfoot Hicks.

Patron—Howell, A.T.

WHEREAS, Alyce Juanita Lightfoot Hicks of Chesapeake, a beloved wife, mother, and retired educator, died on March 15, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a native of Richmond, Alyce Hicks was born to loving parents Floyd and Juanita Holloway Lightfoot and was one of nine siblings; and

WHEREAS, a passionate believer in the value of education, Alyce Hicks worked diligently and received a bachelor's degree from Virginia Union University and a master's degree from Columbia University; and

WHEREAS, Alyce Hicks influenced thousands of students over the course of her 37-year teaching career, which included positions in New Kent County, the City of Richmond, and the City of Norfolk, from where she retired in 1993; and

WHEREAS, admired by students and fellow teachers alike, Alyce Hicks received numerous honors over the years, including Teacher of the Year and selection to the Norfolk All-City Teaching Team; and

WHEREAS, a devoted wife and mother, Alyce Hicks married the love of her life, Edward (Teddy), in 1967 and they had two wonderful children, Quentin Hicks and the Commonwealth's Secretary of Administration, Lisa Hicks-Thomas; and

WHEREAS, Alyce Hicks shared her belief in the value of education with her children and grandchildren, encouraging them to excel in all their endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Alyce Hicks was baptized at an early age and began her association with a community of believers as a child, when she became a member of St. John's United Holy Church in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, after her marriage and move to Norfolk, Alyce Hicks became a devout member of First Church of Christ Holiness, where she served as a licensed missionary; a member of the Sanctuary Choir, Women's Auxiliary of the Church of Christ Holiness, and United Christian Women's Ministry; and Eastern Diocese secretary; and

WHEREAS, a woman of many talents and interests, Alyce Hicks enjoyed reading, walking, and cooking for her beloved family; and

WHEREAS, Alyce Hicks brought great joy to those who knew her and leaves behind a rich and enduring legacy of love and faith for her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Alyce Hicks will be greatly missed by her husband of 42 years, Edward; children Lisa and Quentin and their families, including her grandchildren Carson and Casey; and her numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with great sadness the loss of a beloved citizen, Alyce Juanita Lightfoot Hicks; 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 Alyce Juanita Lightfoot Hicks as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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