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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 393

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2 3 Celebrating the life of Frank Hundley Fulton. 4

Patrons-Marshall, D.W. and Merricks; Senators: Ruff and Stanley

WHEREAS, Frank Hundley Fulton of Danville, a noted baseball player and coach, a loyal employee, a man of faith, and a devoted father and husband, died on October 24, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Frank Fulton graduated from George Washington High School in Danville; it was there, 8 under the guidance of Coach Lefty Wilson, that he nurtured his outstanding athletic talents in football 9 and baseball, playing on a state championship baseball team; and 10

WHEREAS, after attending Virginia Tech-Danville Extension, Frank Fulton joined the United States 11 Navy; he was a ball-playing sailor as a member of an international softball team in Morocco during his 12 13 active duty service; and

WHEREAS, upon his return home, Frank Fulton was employed by a concrete manufacturing 14 15 company; he held his job with Danville Concrete/Marshall Concrete Products for his entire career; and

16 WHEREAS, baseball was Frank Fulton's passion; he was an active member of a men's fast-pitch 17 softball league in Danville, played semi-professional baseball throughout Southside Virginia, and was general manager of the Danville Leafs/Danville Concrete; and 18

19 WHEREAS, as a teenager, Frank Fulton played on a local American Legion baseball team, which disbanded in later years; however, in 1973, Frank Fulton revived the American Legion program and 20 21 spent 25 years developing the baseball talent of many local student-athletes; and

WHEREAS, Frank Fulton coached the young people of Danville in football, basketball, and his first 22 23 love, baseball; he also was an associate baseball scout for the Cincinnati Reds, and some of the young 24 athletes he mentored advanced to play professional baseball; and

25 WHEREAS, a man of strong faith, Frank Fulton was a member of Mount Vernon United Methodist Church; he also attended St. John's United Methodist Church and Sharon Baptist Church, where he 26 27 enjoyed worship and fellowship; and

28 WHEREAS, Frank Fulton is remembered by his family for his unselfish nature; he is greatly missed 29 by his wife, Mary; his children, Frank, William, and Charles, and their families; and by numerous 30 family members, friends, and the athletes he coached; now, therefore, be it

31 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of a dedicated coach, mentor, husband, and father, Frank Hundley 32 33 Fulton; and, be it

34 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution 35 for presentation to the family of Frank Hundley Fulton as an expression of the General Assembly's 36 respect for his memory and appreciation for his work with the young people of Danville.

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