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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 94

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Celebrating the life of Francis Robert Ganey.

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WHEREAS, Francis Robert Ganey, a beloved father, grandfather, and great-grandfather in Richmond, died on May 26, 2012; and

WHEREAS, a native of Washington, D.C., Francis "Buck" Ganey graduated from Gonzaga College High School, where he played in Junior Davis Cup tennis and boxed in the Golden Gloves program; and

WHEREAS, Buck Ganey began a career with Western Electric, but left to join many of the other young men of his generation in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II; and

WHEREAS, a courageous soldier, Buck Ganey was wounded at the Battle of Anzio and received the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, Buck Ganey returned home, married his girlfriend, Frances, and returned to work at Western Electric, where he rose to become a regional supervisor; and

WHEREAS, retiring from Western Electric in 1975, Buck Ganey generously volunteered his time as a driver for The Hermitage, a retirement community in Richmond, where he spread joy to many of the residents; and

WHEREAS, a devoted father to his sons, Robert, Bruce, and Rodney, Buck Ganey loved attending their sporting events and served as president of the Mechanicsville Recreation Association and Mechanicsville Little League baseball; later in life, he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, often traveling to visit them; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife, Frances, Buck Ganey will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his surviving sons, Bruce and Rodney, and many other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Francis Robert Ganey, an admired member of the Richmond community; 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 Francis Robert Ganey as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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