

2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5046

Celebrating the life of the Reverend Blanche Whitehurst McAllister.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, June 12, 2014

Agreed to by the Senate, June 12, 2014

WHEREAS, the Reverend Blanche Whitehurst McAllister, a devout and beloved member of the Norfolk community, died on March 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Norfolk, Blanche McAllister attended Norfolk Public Schools and pursued a successful 20-year career with what was then known as Tidewater Regional Transit; and

WHEREAS, a loyal member of Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion Church, Blanche McAllister answered her calling and became an associate minister; and

WHEREAS, in addition to serving as a minister for more than 30 years, Reverend McAllister offered her time and leadership to several auxiliaries at the church, including as a member of the Women's Fellowship Choir and a Sunday school teacher; and

WHEREAS, Reverend McAllister worked to enhance the community as a past worthy matron of the Margaret Francis Chapter #101 of the Order of the Eastern Star, a past grand worthy matron of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia, and past royal grand matron and treasurer of the Ladies of the Circle of Perfection Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Reverend McAllister will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband, Aaron; daughter, Diane, and her family; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 the Reverend Blanche Whitehurst McAllister, a beloved member of the Norfolk 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 the Reverend Blanche Whitehurst McAllister as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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