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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5147

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Celebrating the life of Roy Irving Brooks.

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WHEREAS, Roy Irving Brooks, a devoted educator and active community leader in Falls Church, died on July 6, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Houston, Texas, Roy Brooks joined many of the other young men of his generation in service to his country during World War II as a member of the United States Merchant Marine; and

WHEREAS, Roy Brooks returned to the United States and focused on his education, earning a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University, a master's degree from Boston University, and a doctorate from George Washington University; and

WHEREAS, throughout a long, fulfilling career as an educator, guidance counselor, and school administrator, Roy Brooks helped prepare students for higher education, careers, and responsible citizenship; and

WHEREAS, deeply respected among his peers, Roy Brooks was a member of the Fairfax Education Association, the Virginia Education Association, and a local principals association; and

WHEREAS, Roy Brooks was also a loyal and hardworking member of the Fairfax County Mason District Democratic Committee, where he encouraged the residents of the Skyline Precinct to exercise their civic duty for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife of 55 years, Elizabeth, Roy Brooks will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his sons, Roy and Robert, and their families 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 Roy Irving Brooks, a dedicated educator and an admired leader in the Falls Church 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 Roy Irving Brooks as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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