## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5187**

Celebrating the life of Virginia Shelton.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, September 18, 2014

WHEREAS, Virginia Shelton, a beloved and inspirational member of the Ashland community, died on August 31, 2014, at the age of 108; and

WHEREAS, raised on a plantation in Hanover County, Virginia Shelton lived through many historical events in the Commonwealth and the United States; throughout her life, she spread joy to others through her positivity and grace; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Shelton was devoted to enhancing the well-being and quality of life of her fellow Ashland residents; she received many awards and accolades for her generous volunteer work; and

WHEREAS, possessed of an adventurous and joyous spirit, Virginia Shelton was well-known for her love of dance and enjoyed riding horses even at the age of 100; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Virginia Shelton enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Providence Baptist Church, where she served as a deaconess and a missionary; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by her husband, Charles, Virginia Shelton will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by numerous 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 Virginia Shelton, an admired member of the Ashland 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 Virginia Shelton as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.