

# 2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 521

Offered September 18, 2014

*Commending Vernon C. Crump, Jr.*

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WHEREAS, Vernon C. Crump, Jr., a successful entrepreneur, loyal civil servant, and devoted civic activist, has served the Portsmouth community and the Commonwealth with distinction; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of the City of Portsmouth, Vernon Crump has served the community in a variety of capacities, including on the Portsmouth Economic Development Committee and the Cable Commission; and

WHEREAS, as a longtime member and officer of the Central Civic Forum, Vernon Crump facilitated communication between African American civic leagues in the area and advanced the cause of equal rights in local government, courts, education, voter registration, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, as president of the Lee Ward Civic League, Vernon Crump secured funds to build the first curbs and gutters in the Brighton and Prentis Park communities, bettering the lives of 25,000 homeowners; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his 36-year career as a federal employee, Vernon Crump, along with his late wife, owned several local businesses, including a barbershop, a florist, a real estate agency, and an antiques shop; and

WHEREAS, Vernon Crump believed in the importance of exercising one's civic duty and assisted with successful election campaigns at local, state, and national levels; and

WHEREAS, Vernon Crump is an active member of Mount Gilead Alpha and Omega Lodge #46, and he enjoys fellowship and worship with the community as a longtime member of Zion Baptist Church; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Vernon C. Crump, Jr., hereby be commended for many years of service to the residents of Portsmouth; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Vernon C. Crump, Jr., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his many contributions to the community and the Commonwealth.

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