2015 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 859

Commending the Reverend George M. Wilson.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2015 Agreed to by the Senate, February 25, 2015

WHEREAS, the Reverend George M. Wilson, a devoted spiritual and community leader in the City of Danville, has supported local youths as a member and chair of the Danville Public Schools School Board for 17 years; and

WHEREAS, a native of Mayesville, South Carolina, George Wilson graduated from Johnson C. Smith University and Theological Seminary and earned a doctorate in ministry from McCormick Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, after completing his education, George Wilson pastored churches throughout South Carolina and served as commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; he later served as a moderator of the Presbytery in southern Virginia and chaired the Division of Mission in the Synod of the Piedmont; and

WHEREAS, George Wilson was also a member of the steering committee of what is now the Black Presbyterian Caucus and served as president of the southeast region; he retired from Holbrook Street Presbyterian Church in Danville in 2001; and

WHEREAS, deeply respected by his peers, Reverend Wilson is an active member of the Virginia School Boards Association; he has worked to inspire students to become responsible citizens and leaders in their communities and received the Award of Distinction from the Virginia School Boards Association; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Reverend George M. Wilson, an admired spiritual leader and community servant in Danville; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Reverend George M. Wilson as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his service to the youth of the Danville community.