2015 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 954

Celebrating the life of William W. Stanton VI.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 25, 2015 Agreed to by the Senate, February 26, 2015

WHEREAS, William W. Stanton VI, a dedicated educator for more than 30 years, a devoted friend, a veteran of the United States military, and a loving husband and father, died on August 28, 2014; and

WHEREAS, William "Bill" W. Stanton VI was born in Washington, D.C., and graduated from St. John's College High School; he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Richmond and later received a master's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, from 1970 to 1980, Bill Stanton was a member of the United States Army Reserves, serving as a Chaplain Assistant, Specialist 6th Class, in the 56th Hospital Medical Unit; and

WHEREAS, Bill Stanton began his teaching career in Louisa County; he also taught in the Counties of Henrico and Chesterfield and in the City of Richmond; he was a kindergarten through eighth grade teacher and he also taught high school English in summer school and adult education classes; and

WHEREAS, passionately devoted to making a difference in the lives of his students, Bill Stanton's purpose in life was to inspire others to aspire and to seek out the talents and gifts of his pupils; he was frequently recognized as an outstanding teacher and was especially drawn to the Woodville Model Elementary School community; and

WHEREAS, Bill Stanton had many interests; he was a gifted songwriter, often composing songs to help motivate his students to do their best; he belonged to the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, traveled widely, and was an advocate for affordable proton therapy medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, Bill Stanton was a devoted friend who loved people and loved life; he will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his wife, Diane; his children, William, Samantha, and Stephanie, and their families; and many other family members, friends, former students, and colleagues; 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 William W. Stanton VI, a dedicated educator for more than 30 years, a devoted friend, a veteran of the United States military, and a loving husband and father; 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 William W. Stanton VI as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory. HJ954ER