

2016 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 236

Celebrating the life of Brenda Cunningham Mauney.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 5, 2016
Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2016

WHEREAS, Brenda Cunningham Mauney of Hampton, a teacher, an active community volunteer, a wife, mother, and devoted caregiver who was an inspiring role model to all who knew her, died on July 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Mauney was born in Hampton on May 1, 1951, and was the eighth of nine children; she had a congenital hearing loss, yet at a time when life was often a challenge for those with disabilities, Brenda Mauney refused to be defined in that manner and chose instead to look forward with confidence and the spirit of a warrior; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Hampton High School in 1969, Brenda Mauney earned a bachelor's degree from Tuskegee University and was a member of the university's Honor Society and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Brenda Mauney returned to Hampton and started teaching in the Hampton City Schools, beginning a 27-year career in education; she derived great satisfaction from inspiring young people to love learning; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Mauney had a zest for life and made many contributions to the community; she was involved with voter registration efforts and belonged to the Dochiki Wives, an auxiliary of The Dochiki Social and Civic Club of Newport News; and

WHEREAS, the Tidewater Tuskegee Alumni Club was a longtime beneficiary of Brenda Mauney's civic efforts; she worked tirelessly for the club and spent many hours each year helping with the group's Scholarship Breakfast; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Mauney was a woman of great faith and a devoted wife, mother, and daughter; she raised her family while working full time and through the years welcomed other people into her home who were in need; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Mauney will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her husband, Melville; children, Adrienne and Melville III, and their families; and many 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 Brenda Cunningham Mauney of Hampton, a teacher, volunteer in many community organizations, devoted wife and mother, and a positive and inspiring role model; 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 Brenda Cunningham Mauney as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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