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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 488

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Celebrating the life of Willis F. Davis III.

Patrons—McClellan, Carr and McQuinn; Senator: McEachin

WHEREAS, Willis F. Davis III of Richmond, a talented graphic artist, musician, and a woman of great faith, died on June 19, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Willis F. "Tracee" Davis III attended the Richmond Public Schools and graduated from Armstrong High School in 1967; she later continued her education at Bloomfield College in New Jersey, where she completed a two-year course; and

WHEREAS, a gifted artist, Tracee Davis was employed by the Virginia Employment Commission as a graphic arts designer, where her creative abilities were utilized in many ways; and

WHEREAS, faith and service were important to Tracee Davis; when she was young, her spiritual life centered around the teaching and guidance she received at Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, as an adult, Tracee Davis participated in the ministry of Metropolitan Community Church, contributing her time and talents in several ways; she was an organist and a bell ringer, and she also provided advice and counsel as a member of the church's board of directors for many years; and

WHEREAS, Tracee Davis, who was predeceased by her father, Willie, will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her mother, Vinceretta; sister, Deborah, and her family; and many other family members, friends, and those who joined with her to partake in the fellowship and worship found at the Metropolitan Community Church; 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 Willis F. Davis III of Richmond, a graphic artist, musician, and a woman of great faith; 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 Willis F. Davis III as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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