

2016 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 488

Celebrating the life of Willis F. Davis III.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 9, 2016

Agreed to by the Senate, March 10, 2016

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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