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Celebrating the life of Samuel L. Green, Jr.

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Patrons—Ward and Price

WHEREAS, Samuel L. Green, Jr., of Hampton, a spiritual leader who touched countless lives throughout Hampton Roads, the Commonwealth, and throughout the United States, died on June 26, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Norfolk, Samuel Green graduated from Booker T. Washington High School and attended Norfolk State University and Old Dominion University; he held bachelor's and master's degrees from Norfolk Theological Seminary and College; and

WHEREAS, Samuel Green answered the call to ministry in 1960 when he became pastor of St. John's Church of God in Christ in Newport News, where he provided wise spiritual leadership to the congregation for 52 years; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, Samuel Green was appointed as the Jurisdictional Prelate for the Second Jurisdiction, State of Virginia of the Church of God in Christ, and in 1984, he was elected as a member of the General Board of Presidium, Church of God in Christ; and

WHEREAS, Samuel Green served and strengthened the community as the founder of Faith for Living Richer Life Ministries and the owner of an assisted living facility; he also helped raise more than \$1 million in scholarships for students at Regent University, where the Samuel L. Green Doctoral Ministry chair was named in his honor; and

WHEREAS, a former president of National Black Religious Broadcasters, Samuel Green earned accolades as the chair of the first African-American-owned religious television station, WJCB-TV 49; and

WHEREAS, Samuel Green will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, LueJinnie; children, Jacquelin, Norvice, Dwight, Samuel, Nathalie, Naomi, Deborah, Phillip, Michael, and Rosanna, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Samuel L. Green, Jr., a highly respected spiritual leader; 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 Samuel L. Green, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.