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**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 450**

Offered February 22, 2017

*Celebrating the life of the Reverend Douglas Gray Burgoyne.*

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WHEREAS, the Reverend Douglas Gray Burgoyne of Richmond, who served in the Episcopal church teaching the Gospel, died at his home on February 5, 2017; and

WHEREAS, born on July 24, 1930, in Orange, New Jersey, Reverend Burgoyne grew up in New York City in a sixth-floor apartment near Columbia University; at his family's Long Island home in Sagaponack, he developed his love of sailing and raced competitively; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Burgoyne entered seminary at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1955, was ordained an Episcopal Deacon in May 1958, and accepted his first call to serve as Rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Ontario, Oregon, where he was ordained as an Episcopal Priest on December 1, 1958; and

WHEREAS, after six years in Oregon, Reverend Burgoyne accepted calls to serve the Episcopal churches of St. John's in Williamstown, Massachusetts, for 12 years, St. Andrew's in Newport News for 16 years, and All Saints in Richmond for eight years; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Burgoyne "retired," but accepted requests to serve as Interim Rector at St. Martin's in Richmond, then St. James the Less in Ashland, and finally as an Associate Priest at St. James's in Richmond, fully retiring on August 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Burgoyne was elected to serve as a Deputy to the General Convention four times, nominated for Bishop in dioceses in the eastern United States, and served on numerous boards, including one that envisioned, developed, and built Westminster-Canterbury on Chesapeake Bay in Virginia Beach; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Burgoyne spent a term at Oxford University in England to study biblical theology, and led a 21-person mission trip to the Diocese of Central Tanganyika in East Africa; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Burgoyne will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 64 years, Joannie; sons, Douglas, Robert, and William; 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and numerous other family members, friends, and associates; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of the Reverend Douglas Gray Burgoyne, whose ministry was real, and his teaching and preaching authentic; 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 the Reverend Douglas Gray Burgoyne as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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