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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 353

Offered January 31, 2017

*Celebrating the life of Elnora S. Branch.*

Patrons—Lewis; Delegate: Hester

WHEREAS, Elnora S. Branch of Norfolk, an admired member of the Norfolk community, died on October 25, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Nansemond County, Elnora Branch attended Nansemond County Training School, graduating as salutatorian; and

WHEREAS, Elnora Branch pursued a career as a caregiver, working as a licensed practical nurse until her well-earned retirement in 2001; and

WHEREAS, an advocate for social justice, Elnora Branch was a devoted member of the Norfolk NAACP, where she served as a member of the Executive Committee and maintained an excellent attendance record; and

WHEREAS, Elnora Branch lived her faith through her actions and enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregation of Friendship Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by her husband, Frank, and one son, Bernard, Elnora Branch will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her children, Marva, Frank, Jr., and Randolph, and their families, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Elnora S. Branch; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Elnora S. Branch as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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