

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 220

Celebrating the life of Sidney Belt Harvey III.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 9, 2018
Agreed to by the Senate, February 15, 2018

WHEREAS, Sidney Belt Harvey III, a beloved husband and father, devoted educator, and respected member of the Elk Creek community, died on July 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Elk Creek, Sidney Harvey graduated from Elk Creek High School and then served in the United States Air Force as a military radio operator during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, after leaving the military, Sidney Harvey attended Virginia Tech and graduated with a bachelor's degree in education in 1956; during the next 20 years, he returned to the school twice to earn a graduate degree in education and a doctoral degree in school administration; and

WHEREAS, after earning his first degree, Sidney Harvey followed a lifelong dream and became a schoolteacher; during his distinguished 41-year career in education, he also served as a principal and coach as well as the general supervisor, director of instruction, and division superintendent of Grayson County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his dedication to the public schools, Sidney Harvey gave generously of his time in service to his community; he established an annual fishing olympics for special needs students, served on the board of directors for Wytheville Community College, and was an Elk Creek Rescue Squad Auxiliary and a 32nd degree Mason; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Harvey was happiest when spending time with his family and enjoying fellowship and worship at Lebanon United Methodist Church; he was also an enthusiastic Virginia Tech fan who kept a large collection of memorabilia related to the school's history; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Harvey will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his wife of 61 years, Shirley; his son, David, and his family; and countless friends and members of the Elk Creek community; 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 Sidney Belt Harvey III, a committed educator with a passion for lifelong learning; 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 Sidney Belt Harvey III as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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