

## 2018 SESSION

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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 555

*Commending Greater King's Chapel.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2018

Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2018

WHEREAS, for 70 years, Greater King's Chapel in Abingdon has provided spiritual guidance, fellowship, and opportunities for worship to the residents of Abingdon; and

WHEREAS, Greater King's Chapel was founded in 1948 by Pastor Verlie Haynes, who had been called to minister to the residents of Abingdon; prior to the construction of the church's current sanctuary, services took place in the homes of various congregants; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Haynes served as spiritual leader of Greater King's Chapel from its founding until her death in May 1995; she was then succeeded by Pastor Verna Fullen, who led the church until her death in April 2010; and

WHEREAS, in December 2011, Elder Timothy M. Starkey was installed as pastor of Greater King's Chapel; under his leadership, the church has continued its dedication to worship, witnessing, and ministry to the residents of Abingdon; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, Greater King's Chapel has enriched the lives of its congregants and served as a force for righteousness in the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Greater King's Chapel for its service to the residents of Abingdon on the occasion of its 70th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Greater King's Chapel as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its impressive legacy of spiritual leadership in the Abingdon community.

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