## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 205**

Commending Juliette S. Hamilton.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 6, 2018 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2018

WHEREAS, Juliette S. Hamilton, a vibrant member of the Richmond community and the beloved matriarch of a large family, celebrates her 100th birthday in 2018; and

WHEREAS, born on March 25, 1918, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stephens, Juliette Hamilton was one of three children and grew up in the Washington Park neighborhood; she was a witness to the seminal events of the 20th century, from the Great Depression and World War II to the Civil Rights movement and the rise of modern technology; and

WHEREAS, Juliette Hamilton graduated from Armstrong High School in 1936 and has remained active with her alma mater by helping to plan class reunions for many years; she continued her education at Virginia Union University and what is now Virginia State University, then enrolled in a licensed practical nurse program, graduating in the top five of her class; and

WHEREAS, Juliette Hamilton pursued careers as a nurse's aide at Richmond Memorial Hospital, a crossing guard for Richmond Public Schools, and a nurse at the Medical College of Virginia; after her well-earned retirement, she committed herself more fully to civic involvement and volunteering; and

WHEREAS, Juliette Hamilton is active in the Washington Park Civic Association, AARP, and TRIAD, and she enjoys fellowship and worship with the congregation of Second Baptist Church, where she served as a trusted member of the finance committee; and

WHEREAS, for more than 20 years, Juliette Hamilton brightened the lives of friends, family, and neighbors by hosting a three-course Christmas feast in her home, and she is an accomplished traveler who encourages others to see the world; and

WHEREAS, Juliette Hamilton and her husband, Alcus E. Hamilton, Sr., raised two children, Alcus E. Hamilton, Jr., and Carmen H. Bell, who raised families of their own, including eight grandchildren and many more great-grandchildren and great-grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Juliette S. Hamilton on the occasion of her 100th birthday; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Juliette S. Hamilton as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the Richmond community.