SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17

Celebrating the life of the Honorable Earle C. Mobley.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 1, 2018

WHEREAS, the Honorable Earle C. Mobley, a judge of the Portsmouth Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court and a man of deep and abiding faith who devoted his life to serving others, died on October 22, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Earle Mobley graduated from Portsmouth Catholic High School, where he was a fierce competitor on the baseball and basketball teams; he continued playing baseball at Virginia Wesleyan University, where he earned a bachelor's degree; and

WHEREAS, after receiving a law degree from Regent University, Earle Mobley worked as a defense attorney in private practice before serving as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Earle Mobley was elected as Portsmouth Commonwealth's Attorney in 2001; he served the city with dedication and distinction, prioritizing public integrity investigations and murder cases; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Earle Mobley was appointed as a judge of the Portsmouth Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court of the Third Judicial District of Virginia, where he presided with great fairness and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, well known for his humility and compassion and guided by his deeply held convictions and an unshakable sense of right and wrong, Earle Mobley touched countless lives in Portsmouth and throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by a daughter, Rebekah, Earle Mobley will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Barbara; his children, Hannah, Emma, John, and Kenny, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of the Honorable Earle C. Mobley, a respected judge of the Portsmouth Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court and a highly admired member of the Portsmouth community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of the Honorable Earle C. Mobley as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.