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## 20109303D HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 421

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Celebrating the life of Charles D. Crowson, Jr.

Patrons—Mullin; Senators: Cosgrove and DeSteph

WHEREAS, Charles D. Crowson, Jr., a dedicated public servant, longtime public policy advocate, and beloved member of the Newport News community, died on February 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Parksley High School and The Apprentice School at Newport News Shipbuilding, Charles Crowson dedicated more than 40 years of his career to the Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue of Newport News; and

WHEREAS, Charles Crowson served the office as a field inspector and as chief deputy commissioner of the revenue before taking the helm as commissioner of the revenue for 16 years; he tirelessly served the Newport News community throughout his tenure by ensuring the sound and reliable management of the city's finances; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Charles Crowson enjoyed a second career as a political consultant and lobbyist, serving on various task forces related to tax policy for the General Assembly, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Virginia Municipal League, the Virginia Association of Counties, the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and the Virginia Manufacturers Association; and

WHEREAS, an active and engaged member of his community, Charles Crowson previously served as president of his local Kiwanis Club and was on the board of directors of the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank and the Newport News Municipal Employees Credit Union; and

WHEREAS, Charles Crowson will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife, Lou Ann; his son, Douglas, and his family; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 Charles D. Crowson, Jr., who touched countless lives in the Newport News community as a public servant and friend; 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 Charles D. Crowson, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.