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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 466**

Offered March 2, 2020

Commending Gloria Campbell.

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Patrons—Marshall and Adams, L.R.; Senators: Ruff and Stanley

WHEREAS, Gloria Campbell, a longtime advocate for civil rights in the Danville community, was honored by the Pittsylvania County branch of the NAACP with its President's Award in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Gloria Campbell received the President's Award at the Pittsylvania NAACP's Freedom Fund banquet on September 28, 2019, at Cherrystone Missionary Baptist Association Center; and

WHEREAS, hailed by many as the matriarch of the Civil Rights Movement in Danville, Gloria Campbell has been leading the charge for equality and social justice in her community all her life; and

WHEREAS, alongside her husband, Bishop Lawrence Campbell, Sr., Gloria Campbell was one of the leaders of the civil rights protest in Danville on June 10, 1963, that is often referred to as Bloody Monday; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the courage of Gloria Campbell and others on Bloody Monday, national attention was drawn to Danville, increasing pressure on the city for it to end its segregationist policies and practices; and

WHEREAS, Gloria Campbell exemplifies the leadership, dedication, and resiliency that compelled progress during the Civil Rights Movement and made the Commonwealth and the United States a more welcoming and just place for all; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Gloria Campbell, a civil rights leader in the Danville community, for receiving the Pittsylvania NAACP's 2019 President's Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Gloria Campbell as an expression of the General Assembly's heartfelt admiration for her heroic efforts and her contributions to the Commonwealth.