

2020 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 165

Commending Dr. George M. Hampton.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 4, 2020

WHEREAS, Dr. George M. Hampton of Dale City, a patriotic veteran and civic leader who served the Commonwealth under five Virginia governors' administrations, is an exemplar of servant leadership and a living legend in his community; and

WHEREAS, a native of New Jersey, George Hampton grew up in North Carolina, where he graduated from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, during his time in the military, George Hampton overcame discrimination to serve his country with honor and distinction for two decades, retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1971; and

WHEREAS, George Hampton pursued a career with the American Institutes for Research as a research scientist, project director, and human relations specialist, managing research and development projects that dealt with race relations and conflict resolution between Americans and host nationals in Asia and Africa; and

WHEREAS, George Hampton was a longtime political advisor to the Prince William County Branch of the NAACP and was subsequently appointed by Governors Charles Robb and Gerald Baliles to the Virginia Parole Board from 1982 to 1990; and

WHEREAS, George Hampton continued to serve the Commonwealth as chair and chief executive officer of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board under Governor L. Douglas Wilder and as an appointee to the State Board of Elections under Governor George Allen; and

WHEREAS, George Hampton subsequently served as a member of the Northern Virginia Community College Board of Directors and was appointed by Governor Mark Warner to the Virginia State University Board of Visitors; and

WHEREAS, George Hampton is the oldest and most senior member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., which established the George M. Hampton Foundation in his honor; the foundation provides scholarships to high school seniors to promote academic achievement, leadership, and youth empowerment; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of George Hampton's incredible legacy of contributions to the Commonwealth, Mills E. Godwin Middle School in Prince William County was renamed George M. Hampton Middle School with a historic ceremony in August 2016; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Dr. George M. Hampton hereby be commended for his lifetime of service to the residents of Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. George M. Hampton as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his personal and professional achievements.

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