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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 510

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Celebrating the life of Fitz Alexander Campbell Thomas.

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WHEREAS, Fitz Alexander Campbell Thomas, a rising senior at Riverside High School in Leesburg and a beloved member of the Loudoun County community, died on June 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, admired for his ability to see the goodness in all, Fitz Thomas was known for his kind and compassionate nature toward others, demonstrating wisdom and grace beyond his years; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished athlete who played both running back and defensive back for the Riverside High School football team, Fitz Thomas thrilled fans with his skillful play on both sides of the ball; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of classmates, friends, family, and local leaders gathered at both River Creek Club and Riverside High School in Loudoun on June 7, 2020, for vigils to honor the life of Fitz Thomas, and the community continues to come together in his memory; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Fitz Thomas' untimely death, the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System has revised its emergency medical service policies to help prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his deep and abiding faith, Fitz Thomas enjoyed worship and fellowship with his community at Holy and Whole Life Changing Ministries International in Lansdowne; and

WHEREAS, Fitz Thomas will be dearly remembered and fondly missed by his parents, Michelle and Delroy; his siblings, Adrian and Anna; 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 Fitz Alexander Campbell Thomas, who touched countless lives through his positivity, joy, and unwavering optimism; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Fitz Alexander Campbell Thomas as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.