

2020 SPECIAL SESSION I

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 536

Offered September 9, 2020

Celebrating the life of Leonard Jackson Hite.

Patron—Lucas

WHEREAS, Leonard Jackson Hite, an esteemed public servant, honored veteran, and beloved member of the Clarksville community, died on August 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, raised in Clarksville, Leonard "Jack" Hite graduated from Bluestone High School and later earned a bachelor's degree in business from the Virginia State University and Polytechnic Institute; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets while in school, Jack Hite enlisted with the Virginia National Guard after graduation and served his country meritoriously for six years; and

WHEREAS, Jack Hite began his career managing a Plymouth automobile dealership with Banning & Sons in Hyattsville, Maryland, and would go on to serve the Virginia Department of Health in Clarksville for 31 years, retiring in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Jack Hite represented his community and advocated for its best interests while serving on the Clarksville Town Council, the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors, and the Mecklenburg County Electoral Board; and

WHEREAS, an active and engaged member of his community, Jack Hite gave generously of his time and talents to several local civic organizations, including the Southside District Planning Commission, Lake Country Development Corporation, Prestwoud Foundation, Boyd Tavern Foundation, Clarksville Lions Club, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8163; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth and its citizens benefited from Jack Hite's experience and expertise following gubernatorial appointments to the State Board for Community Colleges, on which he served as chairman, and the Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong supporter of the Democratic Party, Jack Hite served as treasurer of the Mecklenburg County Democratic Party, attended state conventions as a delegate, and facilitated the campaigns of various state and national candidates through fundraisers and other events; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his deep and abiding faith, Jack Hite enjoyed worship and fellowship with his community at Jamieson Memorial United Methodist Church for many years; and

WHEREAS, Jack Hite will be dearly remembered and fondly missed by his loving wife of 50 years, Carolyn; his sister, Mary Jane; 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 Leonard Jackson Hite, a dedicated public servant who made lasting contributions to the health and well-being of Mecklenburg County and the Commonwealth; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Leonard Jackson Hite as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.

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