## **2021 SPECIAL SESSION I**

## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 646**

Celebrating the life of Dolson Barnett Anderson, Jr.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021 Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

WHEREAS, Dolson Barnett Anderson, Jr., of Richmond, a longtime postal worker and a hardworking volunteer leader at Westwood Baptist Church, died on April 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a native of Delaware, Dolson Anderson grew up in Baltimore and was a talented musician in high school, playing electric guitar and trombone and serving as the drum major in the marching band; and

WHEREAS, Dolson Anderson continued his education at Morgan State University, then served his country as a member of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, Dolson Anderson relocated to Richmond and pursued a 30-year career with the United States Postal Service and worked part time in the circulation department at the *Richmond Free Press*; and

WHEREAS, Dolson Anderson was best known in the community for his long legacy of service to the congregation of Westwood Baptist Church in Richmond's West End; over the course of three decades, he provided generous assistance with everyday maintenance at the church, and he was ordained as a deacon in 2013; and

WHEREAS, most notably, Dolson Anderson helped Westwood Baptist Church stay engaged with members of the community and share the church's message with a wider audience by recording services and working with other congregants to post them online; and

WHEREAS, Dolson Anderson served as a past president of the Westlake Hills Civic Association, was a founding member of Jahnke Road Community Development Organization, served as secretary to the Astoria Beneficial Club, and was a graduate of Leadership Metro Richmond with the Class of 2006; and

WHEREAS, Dolson Anderson will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his beloved wife of nearly 30 years, Lynda; his daughters, Dawn, Isis, and Jana, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RÉSOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Dolson Barnett Anderson, Jr., a respected member of the Richmond community; 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 Dolson Barnett Anderson, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.