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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 652

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Celebrating the life of Charles Lincoln Garner.

Patrons—Carr (By Request), Adams, D.M. and McQuinn; Senator: Hashmi

WHEREAS, Charles Lincoln Garner, an honorable veteran, dedicated postal worker, and beloved member of the Richmond community, died on June 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Belton, Texas, Charles "Charlie" Lincoln Garner served his country with courage and valor as a member of the United States Army during World War II and the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, upon completing his military service, Charlie Garner earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from the former Virginia State College, now Virginia State University, where he excelled in football and track; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Garner tirelessly served his community as a member of the United States Postal Service for 27 years, retiring in 1984; in support of his colleagues and profession, he was a committed member of the National Association of Letter Carriers for many years; and

WHEREAS, an active and engaged member of his community, Charlie Garner offered his time and talents to several local organizations, including the Randolph Planning Study Board, the Byrd Park Civic League, and the Astoria Beneficial Club, which he served in various capacities for more than a half-century; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his deep and abiding faith, Charlie Garner enjoyed worship and fellowship with his community at Riverview Baptist Church in Richmond, where he was a devoted member for many years; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his meritorious support of its ministries, musical ensembles, and other initiatives, the Riverview Baptist Church in Richmond honored Charlie Garner with its Man of the Year Award in 2005 and elected him a Father of the Church in 2018; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by his loving wife, Marie, Charlie Garner will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his daughter, Charmaine, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Charles Lincoln Garner, an honorable veteran and cherished member of the Richmond community whose unwavering kindness and generosity touched countless lives; 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 Charles Lincoln Garner as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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