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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 705

Offered February 2, 2021

*Celebrating the life of the Reverend James William Wright, Sr.*

Patrons—Hudson; Senator: Deeds

WHEREAS, the Reverend James William Wright, Sr., of Charlottesville died on January 17, 2020, at the age of 83, surrounded by his family; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Wright grew up in Louisa and was a graduate of A.G. Richardson High School; he was ordained as a deacon and served in that capacity until he received his call to the ministry in 1966; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Wright preached the Gospel and served as a pastor for 49 years; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Wright moved to Charlottesville and served as supervisor of the Department of Housekeeping at the University of Virginia Medical Center for 28 years until his retirement in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Wright is survived by his loving wife of 38 years, Carolyn A. Wright; two sons, James W. Wright, Jr., and Elder Shawn W. Wright; two daughters, Minister Wendy Carter and Tameka Durrett; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Wright will be fondly remembered by his family members and friends and by the many people whose lives were touched through his spiritual leadership; 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 the Reverend James William Wright, Sr.; 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 the Reverend James William Wright, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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