

2021 SPECIAL SESSION II

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 711

Celebrating the life of Kenneth Ray Holmes, Sr.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, August 3, 2021

WHEREAS, Kenneth Ray Holmes, Sr., a dedicated member of the Surry County Board of Supervisors who worked diligently to support communities throughout his district and the county, died on March 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a native of Surry County, Kenneth Holmes graduated from L.P. Jackson High School and pursued higher education at Virginia State University and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, earning several advanced degrees; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Holmes was a founding member of the Nu Delta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and had served as director of alumni affairs at Virginia State University; among many other community-oriented endeavors, he offered his leadership to the Surry County African-American Heritage Society as president and supported the Flunkbusters program for at-risk students; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the community, Kenneth Holmes ran for and was elected to the Surry County Board of Supervisors and represented the Carsley District from 2015 until early 2021, when he resigned due to an illness; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Holmes relished every opportunity to spend time with his beloved family members and friends, and he was a trusted mentor to countless other members of the community who benefited from his wisdom and guidance; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Holmes will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Keinya, Khristi, and Kenneth, Jr., and their families, and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Kenneth Ray Holmes, Sr., a respected public servant and community leader in Surry County; 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 Kenneth Ray Holmes, Sr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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