

2021 SPECIAL SESSION II

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 765

Celebrating the life of Alfreda E. Knight.

Agreed to by the Senate, August 5, 2021

WHEREAS, Alfreda E. Knight, a treasured member of the Norfolk community, died on August 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Alfreda Knight grew up in Norfolk and graduated from Booker T. Washington High School before earning a bachelor's degree in early childhood education and a master's degree in elementary education from Norfolk State University; and

WHEREAS, Alfreda Knight was employed by the Norfolk Department of Human Services for 38 years, serving 20 years as an eligibility supervisor, before becoming a substitute teacher for Virginia Beach Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, from an early age, Alfreda Knight found Christ and followed the lead of her father, Dr. Frank P. Wise, pastor of Mount Lebanon Baptist Church in Norfolk, working with her husband, Dr. Elbert T. Knight, at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in Portsmouth for 40 years; and

WHEREAS, at Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Alfreda Knight served as assistant to the pastor and founded numerous programs and ministries within the church; and

WHEREAS, Alfreda Knight was a longtime member of the Tidewater Baptist Women Missionary and Education Convention, Interdenominational Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows Alliance of Tidewater, Iota Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., NAACP, and Fairfield Garden Club; and

WHEREAS, Alfreda Knight will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband, Dr. Elbert T. Knight; her children, Elbert, Jr., and Monique, and their families; and many other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of Alfreda E. Knight; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Alfreda E. Knight as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for her memory.

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