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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 48

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Celebrating the life of Joseph Toney, Jr.

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WHEREAS, Joseph Toney, Jr., a highly admired member of the Big Stone Gap community, died on August 18, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of East Stone Gap and Big Stone Gap, Joseph "Joe" Toney served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, Joe Toney continued to support his fellow veterans by volunteering his time and leadership with Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled American Veterans; and

WHEREAS, Joe Toney pursued a long career as an inspector with the engineering, architecture, and surveying firm Thompson & Litton; and

WHEREAS, Joe Toney was a longtime supporter of local high school football and track and field teams, and he served young people in the community as an official for Virginia High School League track and field events; and

WHEREAS, Joe Toney enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Big Stone Gap; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife, Nancy, and one daughter, Kelly, Joe Toney will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Adam and Dawn, and their families, 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 Joseph Toney, Jr.; 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 Joseph Toney, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.