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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 686**

Offered January 30, 1995

On the death of Nelson B. Harris.

Patrons—Cooper and Grayson

Consent to introduce

WHEREAS, Nelson B. Harris, a prominent York County civic activist and volunteer, died on October 14, 1994; and

WHEREAS, a native of Indiana and an Air Force veteran of World War II, Nelson Harris had been a resident of the Peninsula since 1945; and

WHEREAS, exceptionally active in York County political and civic affairs, Nelson Harris was well-known and highly respected for his tireless efforts on behalf of the citizens of York; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Harris created Yorktown's enormously successful Fourth of July festivities during the 1970s, helped to build the Waterman's Museum in Yorktown, organized the christening of the U.S.S. Yorktown, and was primarily responsible for the re-illumination of the Yorktown Monument, which had been dark since World War II; and

WHEREAS, equally well-known for his political activities, Nelson Harris provided invaluable assistance to many York-area candidates for public office; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Harris also volunteered his time on behalf of the York County Ruritan Club, the American Cancer Society, and the American Heart Association; and

WHEREAS, in one or another of his many volunteer activities, Nelson Harris touched and improved the lives of virtually every resident of York County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with great sadness the passing of Nelson B. Harris; 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 Nelson B. Harris as an expression of the great respect in which his memory is held by the members of the General Assembly.