

2004 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 152

Celebrating the life of Ernestine Jackson.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 5, 2004
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 13, 2004

WHEREAS, Ernestine Jackson, a beloved figure on the campus of the College of William and Mary for the past 22 years, died on December 8, 2003; and

WHEREAS, a dining services employee at William and Mary, Ernestine Jackson brightened the lives of countless students with her combination of warmth and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, Ernestine Jackson's cashier's line was always the longest in the dining hall, but students waited patiently for a warm greeting, a word of advice, or even a hug; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Ernestine Jackson received a standing ovation from William and Mary students when she received the Sullivan Award, given annually to an employee who demonstrates the spirit of love and helpfulness on campus; and

WHEREAS, when Ernestine Jackson suffered a stroke in 2000, students organized a benefit concert in her honor and raised funds to defray her medical expenses; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, the William and Mary Student Assembly established the "Ernestine Award," for dining-services staff; and

WHEREAS, for generations of students at the College of William and Mary, Ernestine Jackson was a combination of mentor, counselor, and second mother, and her absence will be keenly felt by the entire William and Mary community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly note with great sadness the loss of Ernestine Jackson, a true friend to the students of the College of William and Mary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Ernestine Jackson as an expression of the high regard in which her memory is held by the members of the General Assembly.

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