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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 375

Offered January 18, 2011

*Celebrating the life of Albert Eugene Simpson.*

Patron—Locke

WHEREAS, Albert Eugene Simpson, a well-loved community advocate and Hampton native, died on December 22, 2010; and

WHEREAS, known affectionately as "Punk" to his family and friends, Albert Simpson was born on July 13, 1931, to John and Eva Bates Simpson in the city where he would touch so many lives; and

WHEREAS, a true patriot and dedicated public servant, Albert Simpson served in the United States Army from 1950 to 1953 and later worked for the United States Postal Service where he was a valued and dedicated employee for more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, devoted to the safety of even the youngest residents of Hampton, Albert Simpson worked for the Hampton Police Division as a school crossing guard following his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Albert Simpson worked as a tireless advocate for his community, including service for nine years as the president of the Old North Hampton Community Organization to engage youth, involve residents in broad civic initiatives, and build community cohesion; and

WHEREAS, considered a trusted guide and spiritual advisor by fellow members of the Powell Valley Eastern Star Chapter Number 13 of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia Free and Accepted Masons, Inc., Albert Simpson served as the chapter's Worshipful Past Master and Mentor and served as the W. Assistant Grand Tiler at the Grand Lodge; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hampton recognized Albert Simpson as a valued and esteemed champion of local causes, bestowing upon him the honor of naming the street on which he lived for more than 35 years Albert E. Simpson Street; and

WHEREAS, survived by his beloved wife, Louise; his daughter, Miya; and his seven sons, Albert, Barry, Kevin, Brian, Jeffrey, Morris, and Eric; and their families; Albert Simpson and the great contributions he made will be remembered by his family and by his many friends and neighbors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Albert Eugene Simpson, well-loved community advocate and Hampton native; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Albert Eugene Simpson as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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