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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58

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*Celebrating the life of Dr. Albert Will Thweatt.*

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WHEREAS, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt was born on April 25, 1943, in Prince George, and entered into eternal rest on October 24, 2013, in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt was educated in the Prince George public schools and, after graduation from high school, attended Elizabeth City State University, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in 1965; he earned a master of arts degree from Virginia State University in 1971 and a doctor of education degree from the University of Virginia in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt, a gifted scholar, was inducted into the Guardsmen, Sigma Pi Phi Boulé, and Phi Delta Kappa fraternities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt was an outstanding educator who served as band director and assistant principal in the Hopewell City public schools; as Assistant Superintendent of Gainesville City Schools in Gainesville, Georgia; as Director of the Evening and Weekend College at Virginia State University; and as Director of Continuing Education at the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, a successful entrepreneur, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt was the founder and chief operating officer of Alrod Enterprises, Inc., a service establishment equipment and supplies company, in Petersburg from 1978 to 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt was a proud and committed member of several civic and professional organizations, including the board of directors of the Prince George Electric Co-Op, the Bank of Southside Virginia, Venture Richmond, the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, International Management Council, Petersburg Economic Action Corporation, Petersburg Public Education Foundation, and the Richmond Economic Development Corporation; he also served as a member of the board of trustees for the University of Florida, Virginia State University, and Edward Waters College; and

WHEREAS, a faithful and longtime member of Union Branch Baptist Church in Prince George, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt used his God-given gifts and talents to serve his beloved church as pianist, director of the men's choir, and a member of the church's Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his numerous community and civic duties, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt was a caring philanthropist, an orator and advocate of education, and a man who inspired everyone with hope, love, and honesty; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albert Will Thweatt leaves a legacy worthy of emulation and his memory will be cherished by his family, relatives, colleagues, friends, and many others who were touched by his life; 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 Dr. Albert Will Thweatt; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Dr. Albert Will Thweatt as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory and contributions to the Commonwealth.

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