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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 104

Celebrating the life of the Honorable Leonard W. Lambert, Sr.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 21, 2016
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 29, 2016

WHEREAS, the Honorable Leonard W. Lambert, Sr., of Richmond, a respected attorney and civic leader and a former substitute judge of the 13th Judicial District of Virginia, died on November 18, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a native of Henrico County, Leonard Lambert attended Virginia Randolph High School; graduated cum laude from Virginia Union University, and earned a law degree from Howard University; and

WHEREAS, after completing his education, Leonard Lambert served his fellow Richmond residents as an attorney in private practice, establishing the firm Leonard W. Lambert & Associates; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Leonard Lambert was appointed as a substitute judge of the Richmond Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court; he was the first African American to hold any judgeship in the City of Richmond and presided with great fairness and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Lambert worked to strengthen and enhance the community as a founder of the Garfield F. Childs Memorial Fund, as a member of the national board of the YMCA, and as chair of the Arthur Ashe Memorial Committee; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Leonard Lambert enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Westwood Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Lambert served the Commonwealth and the City of Richmond with integrity, dedication, and distinction; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by one son, Ralph, Leonard Lambert will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 52 years, Sylvia; children, Leonard, Jr., Linda, Brice, and Mark, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 the Honorable Leonard W. Lambert, Sr., a respected attorney and civic leader in the Richmond community and a former substitute judge of the 13th Judicial District of Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of the Honorable Leonard W. Lambert, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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