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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 242

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*Celebrating the life of Edna Ware Taylor.*

Patrons—Habeeb, Head and Rasoul

WHEREAS, Edna Ware Taylor, a woman of deep and abiding faith and a hardworking member of the Roanoke community who made many contributions to young people, died on January 16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a native of Manning, South Carolina, Edna Taylor worked to support her four children while teaching them to be responsible members of the community, to respect themselves and others, and to strive for success in all their endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Edna Taylor later moved to Greensboro, North Carolina, where she cared for several homeless children in the area and founded the first Head Start program at Hayes-Taylor Memorial YMCA and served as director of its Kiddie Kollege preschool program from 1970 to 1980; and

WHEREAS, Edna Taylor also served young people as a troop leader in the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, president and member of several parent-teacher associations, and president of the James B. Dudley High School Booster Club; and

WHEREAS, guided by her strong faith throughout her life, Edna Taylor enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregations of St. James Baptist Church in Greensboro and Sweet Union Baptist Church in Roanoke; and

WHEREAS, Edna Taylor will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her children, Karen, Denise, Onzlee, and Anthony, and their families, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Edna Ware Taylor, a vibrant member of the Roanoke community; 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 Edna Ware Taylor as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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