HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 484

Celebrating the life of Vivian Conway Mason.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2018 Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2018

WHEREAS, Vivian Conway Mason, a passionate educator and a beloved wife, mother, and friend in the Richmond community, died on June 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Richmond, Vivian Mason grew up in the historic Jackson Ward neighborhood and graduated from Maggie L. Walker High School; she earned a bachelor's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) and conducted graduate studies at VCU, Hampton University, and Virginia Union University; and

WHEREAS, specializing in early childhood education and special education, Vivian Mason taught in Richmond Public Schools for 40 years, giving countless students a strong foundation for lifelong learning and inspiring them to become active citizens of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, respected among her peers, Vivian Mason was a leader in the Richmond Education Association and served as a delegate to the Virginia Education Association and the National Education Association; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Mason was a staunch advocate for children, and she brought joy to others through her vibrant personality, sharp wit, and commitment to service; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Mason will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her devoted husband of 55 years, Eugene; her children, Yevette and Eugene, 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 Vivian Conway Mason; 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 Vivian Conway Mason as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.