HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Celebrating the life of John Curtis Marion.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 13, 2020 Agreed to by the Senate, January 16, 2020

WHEREAS, John Curtis Marion, a trusted entrepreneur and a dedicated public servant who helped strengthen the Pennington Gap community, died on May 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a native of Hancock County, Tennessee, John Marion attended Hancock County High School and studied at Carson-Newman College and Lincoln Memorial University; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from the University of Tennessee School of Pharmacy in 1967, John Marion worked at the Drug Shop in Pennington Gap, then subsequently owned and operated John C. Marion Pharmacist; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the community, John Marion ran for and was elected to multiple terms on the Pennington Gap Town Council, including two terms as mayor; he offered his leadership to the Lee County School Board and the board of Lee County Community Hospital; and

WHEREAS, John Marion was a 50-year member of both New Castle Masonic Lodge No. 91 in Indiana and Miles Masonic Lodge No. 165 in Pennington Gap, and he enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community at First Baptist Church of Pennington Gap; and

WHEREAS, John Marion also operated a small farm in Dryden, where he spent countless hours tending to the land and enjoying time with his beloved family; and

WHEREAS, John Marion will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 52 years, Janet; his daughters, Jacqui and Jannesah, 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 John Curtis Marion; 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 John Curtis Marion as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.