

# 2020 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 544

*Celebrating the life of Jeff Matthew Wescott, Jr.*

Agreed to by the Senate, September 25, 2020

WHEREAS, Jeff Matthew Wescott, Jr., an honored veteran, esteemed longshoreman, and beloved member of the Norfolk community, died on July 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Norfolk, Jeff Wescott graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in 1964, whereupon he voluntarily enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served his country valiantly for four years during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, returning home, Jeff Wescott studied at Norfolk State University and joined the Merchant Marines before he was ultimately inspired to follow in his father's footsteps and join the brotherhood of the International Longshoremen Association 1248; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Wescott worked as a checker in the Port of Virginia, contributing to the safe, responsible, and efficient operation of a major lifeline of the Commonwealth's economy; and

WHEREAS, a lover of nature who enjoyed working along the water, photographing mountains, and driving with the windows down, Jeff Wescott brightened untold lives with his humor and high spirits; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by his brother and best friend, Leroy, Jeff Wescott will be dearly remembered and fondly missed by his loving wife, Ida; his children, Giovanni, Domergue, Nichole, Dominique, and Rudy, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of Jeff Matthew Wescott, Jr., an honored veteran and accomplished longshoreman who touched countless lives in the Norfolk community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Jeff Matthew Wescott, Jr., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.

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