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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 517

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Celebrating the life of Lue Ethel Lapsley Carson.

Patrons—Kilgore; Senator: Pillion

WHEREAS, Lue Ethel Lapsley Carson, a highly admired educator who served young people in Lee County for many years, died on August 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a native of Uniontown, Alabama, Lue Carson moved to West Virginia with her family at a young age and graduated from Gary District High School; she subsequently earned a bachelor's degree in education from Bluefield State College; and

WHEREAS, Lue Carson imparted her passion for lifelong learning to countless young people in Lee County as the first African American to teach at Lee County Public Schools after the school system was integrated in 1965; and

WHEREAS, Lue Carson was the first and only librarian at Pennington Elementary School and went on to achieve a certification in library science through her studies at the University of Virginia and Virginia State College; and

WHEREAS, Lue Carson retired from Lee County Public Schools in 1992 after 29 years of exceptional service; she continued to offer her time and leadership to the community as a volunteer with local civic organizations and brightened the days of many friends and neighbors by visiting nursing homes; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Lue Carson was a member of the Clinch River Baptist Association and the Powell River Baptist Association; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by her husband, Samuel, and her son, Samuel, Jr., Lue Carson will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her daughter, Marie, and her family, 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 Lue Ethel Lapsley Carson, a respected former educator and a beloved mother and grandmother who made many contributions to the Lee County 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 Lue Ethel Lapsley Carson as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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