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Celebrating the lives of Melvin Gaddis Green, Jr., M.D., and Helen Selena Green.

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WHEREAS, Melvin Gaddis Green, Jr., M.D., and Helen Selena Green, respected members of the Hampton community, died on December 23, 2020, and February 1, 2021, respectively; and

WHEREAS, a native of Greenville, South Carolina, Melvin Green graduated from what is now Rockford University, earned a medical degree from the University of Minnesota, and completed his internship and residency at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk; and

WHEREAS, Helen Green grew up in Hampton, where she attended Pembroke High School, and subsequently earned a degree in nursing from the University of the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, Melvin and Helen Green enjoyed 32 years of marriage and both served the community as trusted medical professionals for many years; and

WHEREAS, Melvin Green worked as a physician in private practice with his longtime friend William Franklin for 30 years, then joined the Sentara Medical Group, from which he retired in 2018, and Helen Green worked as a registered nurse until 2013; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Helen Green received a bilateral lung transplant and inspired others through her courage, determination, and unyielding faith; she and Melvin were accomplished world travelers who enjoyed special trips even after her surgery; and

WHEREAS, Helen Green was a devout member of First Baptist Church and volunteered with the Girl Friends, Inc., for more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, outside of his career, Melvin Green was an avid golfer who cultivated many strong friendships during regular Thursday tee times over the years; and

WHEREAS, Melvin and Helen Green will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by their children, Jennifer, Kimberly, Anika, and Schaan, and their families, including grandchildren, Amaya, Kendall, Kennedy, Gabriel, and Kayden, as well as numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Melvin Gaddis Green, Jr., M.D., and Helen Selena Green; 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 Melvin Gaddis Green, Jr., M.D., and Helen Selena Green as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for their memory.