

2022 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 716

Offered May 31, 2022

Commending Eugene Nelson Eddleton.

Patrons—Fowler, Adams, D.M., Head, Hodges, Hope, Kory, Maldonado, Orrock, Rasoul, Reid, Simonds, Willett, Wright and Wyatt

WHEREAS, Eugene Nelson Eddleton of Hanover County, a World War II veteran, longtime civil servant, and devoted father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, celebrates his 100th birthday in 2022; and

WHEREAS, born on June 6, 1922, in Montpelier, Nelson Eddleton was a witness to the countless historic events throughout the 20th century, from the Great Depression and World War II to the Moon landing and the dawn of the Internet age; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Eddleton graduated from Montpelier High School in 1941, then joined many of the other young men of his generation in service to the nation during World War II after he learned of the attack on Pearl Harbor; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the 6th Infantry Division of the United States Army, Nelson Eddleton deployed to the Pacific theater and saw more than 300 days of combat in New Guinea and the Philippines; he subsequently served in the occupation force in Korea after the end of the war; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable discharge, Nelson Eddleton returned to Hanover County and married his beloved wife Grace, with whom he enjoyed 66 years of marriage before her passing; over the years, he has been highly admired for his devotion to his daughter, Joan, and his three grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Eddleton pursued a long and fulfilling career with the United States Postal Service, retiring in 1985, and has continued to support his fellow veterans as a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10657 and American Legion Post 244; and

WHEREAS, guided by his deep faith throughout his life, Nelson Eddleton enjoys fellowship and worship with the congregation of Winns Baptist Church; he has touched countless lives through his generosity, kindness, and commitment to service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Eugene Nelson Eddleton hereby be commended on the occasion of his 100th birthday in 2022; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Eugene Nelson Eddleton as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his personal and professional achievements and best wishes.

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