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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 258

Offered January 18, 2023

*Celebrating the life of Cheryl Lavette Nixon.*

Patron—Ward

WHEREAS, Cheryl Lavette Nixon, an esteemed member of the Newport News Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism and the Hampton Redevelopment and Housing Authority and a beloved member of the Newport News community, died on July 2, 2022; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Warwick High School in Newport News in 1986, Cheryl Nixon worked for many years in the Newport News Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, where she was a center supervisor for the city's before and after school programs, contributing greatly to the growth and development of the area's young people; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Nixon most recently worked in property management for the past 15 years with the Hampton Redevelopment and Housing Authority, helping to ensure that individuals and families in the area had a comfortable and quality place to call home; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Nixon's dedication to serving others manifested itself in her participation with several community outreach organizations, such as Community Builders Network, the Strengthening Families Program, and Alternatives, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, an outgoing and vibrant individual who brightened every room she entered, Cheryl Nixon's greatest joys in life included spending time with her grandchildren, traveling with her husband and church family, coloring, doing puzzles, dancing, and serving others in any way she could; and

WHEREAS, guided by her faith throughout her life, Cheryl Nixon was notably one of the first members of Agape Hands Cathedral Church in Newport News, where she enjoyed worship and fellowship with her community for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Nixon gave generously of her time to support her church and its congregation by serving in various roles over the years, including assistant director of the children's church, head of the education department, deaconess, head of the missionary board, and food bank coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Nixon will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her loving husband, Dalton; her children, Crystal, Ernest, Jr., Dalton II, Danette, Toneshia, and Tonica, and their families; her mother, Roberta; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Cheryl Lavette Nixon, a cherished member of the Newport News community whose compassionate, positive, and selfless nature was a light in countless lives; 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 Cheryl Lavette Nixon as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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