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Offered February 15, 2023 Celebrating the life of Dorothy L. Hughes.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 329

WHEREAS, Dorothy L. Hughes, an esteemed faith leader and caregiver, the founder and senior pastor of Victory Christian Center RVA, and a beloved member of the Richmond community, died on June 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, a native of Richmond, Dorothy Hughes was certified in supporting and providing care to individuals with mental disabilities and launched Joshua Home Family Services, LLC, which established therapeutic group homes in Chesterfield County and Danville for the benefit of an untold number of residents and families; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, Dorothy Hughes founded the Bread of Life Family Worship Center along Hull Street in the Southside of Richmond, which later relocated to Midlothian Turnpike and took the name of Victory Christian Center RVA; and

WHEREAS, for nearly two decades, Dorothy Hughes provided her parishioners with edifying spiritual guidance and ample opportunities for community outreach; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Hughes was an accomplished church singer and writer of short church plays who developed the gospel production *How I Got Over*, which previously featured the Grammy Award-winning gospel singer Shirley Caesar; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by her husband, Ernest, Dorothy Hughes will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by her children, Deborah, Cynthia, Earnestine, Darryl, and Kizzy, and their families and by numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RÉSOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Dorothy L. Hughes, a cherished member of the Richmond community whose dedication to serving others touched 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 Dorothy L. Hughes as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.