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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 90

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Celebrating the life of Bobbie Louis Sutton.

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WHEREAS, Bobbie Louis Sutton, an esteemed longshoreman and beloved member of the Norfolk community, died on September 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, a native of Buena Vista, Georgia, Bobbie Sutton and his family moved to Norfolk when he was a child, where he would later graduate from Booker T. Washington High School; and

WHEREAS, in his youth, Bobbie Sutton learned the game of golf and also worked for some time as a caddie at various golf clubs in the Norfolk area; and

WHEREAS, Bobbie Sutton later became a long-distance truck driver for Allied Trucking Company before embarking upon an accomplished career as a longshoreman in February 1968; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his dedication to his profession and his fellow longshoremen, Bobbie Sutton held various leadership positions as a longshoreman before dutifully retiring in February 1999; and

WHEREAS, later in life, Bobbie Sutton remained actively involved in various local organizations while also enjoying his favorite hobbies, including fishing and golfing; and

WHEREAS, an avid football fan, Bobbie Sutton never missed an opportunity to cheer on his favorite team, the Dallas Cowboys; and

WHEREAS, known for his flair for fashion, Bobbie Sutton could often be seen sporting his signature applejack hat; and

WHEREAS, Bobbie Sutton was the consummate family man, whose quiet and humble demeanor and commitment to providing for his loved ones endeared him to all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Bobbie Sutton remained devoted to personal growth and exploration throughout his life, discovering a passion for new hobbies such as pier fishing in his later years; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his first wife, Delores, Bobbie Sutton will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife, Brenda; his children, Darryl, Donita, Deborah, and Pierre, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of Bobbie Louis Sutton, a respected longshoreman and cherished member of the Norfolk community, whose kindness and generosity touched countless lives; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Bobbie Louis Sutton as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.

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