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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

Offered January 11, 1996

On the death of Joseph Elliott "Red" Knight.

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WHEREAS, Joseph Elliott "Red" Knight, a well-known and widely respected member of the Simonsdale community of Portsmouth, died on July 1, 1995; and

9 WHEREAS, a native of Nansemond and a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, Red Knight retired 10 after nearly four decades of service to the Norfolk Naval Supply Yard; and

11 WHEREAS, after his retirement, Red Knight devoted his time and energy to the Simonsdale 12 community through his membership in the Monday Morning Coffee Club, a group of volunteers who 13 met to discuss neighborhood problems and what they could do to solve them; and

WHEREAS, among his many contributions, Red Knight collected newspapers for recycling, turningover the proceeds to neighborhood clean-up and repair efforts; and

16 WHEREAS, an extraordinarily gracious, soft-spoken man, Red Knight was so effective in his
17 community-service efforts that he was thought of by many residents as "Mr. Simonsdale"; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly mourn20 the loss of a fine Virginian, Joseph Elliott Knight; and, be it

21 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution 22 for presentation to the family of Joseph Elliott Knight as an expression of the General Assembly's

23 respect for his memory.