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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 257

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Celebrating the life of Perry Lee Briggs, Sr.

Patrons—Carr, Convirs-Fowler, Hope, Jenkins, Maldonado, Rasoul, Reid, Simonds and Willett; Senators: Boysko, Hashmi and Howell

WHEREAS, Perry Lee Briggs, Sr., a former star football player at Maggie L. Walker High School and Virginia Union University and a highly admired community leader Richmond, died on August 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a Richmond native, Perry Briggs graduated from what was then Maggie L. Walker High School and was a standout quarterback for the football team; and

WHEREAS, Perry Briggs led the Maggie L. Walker High School Green Dragons to victory over their archrivals from Armstrong High School in the Armstrong-Walker Classic in the 1940s and was inducted into the school's athletic hall of fame; and

WHEREAS, Perry Briggs continued his education at Virginia Union University and was the starting quarterback on the football team for much of his college career; and

WHEREAS, Perry Briggs worked in a tobacco factory and subsequently served as a supervisor at a Wonder Bread bakery until his well-earned retirement; and

WHEREAS, Perry Briggs enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a lifelong member of St. Paul's Baptist Church, where he served as an usher, a deacon, and a trustee and was a founding member of the male chorus; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife, Dahlia, Perry Briggs will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Diane, Perry, Jr., and Robert, and their families, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Perry Lee Briggs, Sr.; 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 Perry Lee Briggs, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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