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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 418

Offered March 7, 2022

Celebrating the life of Dean Michael Little, Sr.

Patrons—Hodges, Mullin and Simonds; Senator: Mason

WHEREAS, Dean Michael Little, Sr., an esteemed businessman and beloved member of the Hampton and Bena communities, died on February 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Dean "Mike" Little attended Frederick Military Academy in Portsmouth, where he was captain of Company C and recognized as Cadet of the Year, graduating with zero demerits; and

WHEREAS, Mike Little enrolled first at the former Carson-Newman College and later at the former Christopher Newport College before ultimately devoting his career to his family's tire business, Tire City, Inc., in Newport News; and

WHEREAS, as president and owner of Tire City, Inc., Mike Little worked tirelessly each and every day to ensure his customers received quality and dependable service and products they could trust; and

WHEREAS, Mike Little was active and engaged in his community throughout his life, maintaining a 44-year membership with Monitor Lodge No. 197 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Hampton and serving as a volunteer at the Wythe District station of Hampton Fire and Rescue for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mike Little was a proud and caring father and grandfather, giving generously of his time to coach various youth baseball teams while taking every effort to build close and meaningful relationships with his son and grandsons; and

WHEREAS, Mike Little will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife of nearly 48 years, Joanne; his son, Dean, Jr., and his family; 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 Dean Michael Little, Sr., a cherished member of the Hampton and Bena communities 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 Dean Michael Little, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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