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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 422

Offered March 7, 2022

Celebrating the life of Vivian Yvette Jones-King.

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WHEREAS, Vivian Yvette Jones-King, an inspirational and highly admired public servant who diligently served the City of Suffolk as a social worker for more than 39 years, died on October 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a native of Suffolk, Vivian Yvette Jones-King graduated with honors from John F. Kennedy High School, received a bachelor's degree from Norfolk State University, and a master's degree from Old Dominion University; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Yvette Jones-King joined the Suffolk Department of Social Services in 1979 and subsequently joined the Virginia Department of Social Services as a family services trainer, finishing her career with a combined 41 years of exceptional public service to the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Yvette Jones-King enjoyed fellowship and worship with her community in Suffolk by serving in various ministries of Tabernacle Christian Church and as a member of the choir and the praise team of Covenant Community Church; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Yvette Jones-King worked tirelessly with foster children and advocated for children's safety when she worked in the Ongoing Child Protective Services Unit; she was admired by her coworkers and always stepped up to take on challenging cases; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Yvette Jones-King fostered education, motivation, and independence for the children in her care and worked tirelessly to help them achieve success in and out of the classroom; she also inspired young adults to not be a statistic and to graduate from high school and college; and

WHEREAS, Vivian Yvette Jones-King will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her husband, Karl King; her children, Rodney Jones and Monique, Delbert, and Derrick King, and their families, including her grandchildren, Narsi'er and Londyn Jones; her mother, Vivian Vines Turner; 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 Vivian Yvette Jones-King, a respected public servant; 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 Vivian Yvette Jones-King as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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