## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 172

Offered March 1, 2022

Celebrating the life of Wendell Oliver Scott, Jr.

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WHEREAS, Wendell Oliver Scott, Jr., a trailblazing figure in NASCAR racing, died on February 10, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, Wendell Scott grew up in Danville and served on the racing crew for his father, Wendell Scott, Sr., who was the first Black driver to compete full-time in NASCAR's top racing series; and

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WHEREAS, Wendell Scott helped his father win a historic victory in the 1963 NASCAR Grand National Series race at Speedway Park in Jacksonville, Florida, and later represented his father at his posthumous induction in the NASCAR Hall of Fame in 2015; and

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WHEREAS, in addition to working in the crew with other members of his family, Wendell Scott also made three starts as a NASCAR driver in the Grand National East Series during the 1973 season, achieving a 13th place finish at Hickory Speedway in North Carolina in November of that year; and

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WHEREAS, Wendell Scott will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his siblings, William, Janis, Cheryl, Sybil, and Michael, and their families, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby

note with great sadness the loss of Wendell Oliver Scott, Jr.; and, be it RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Wendell Oliver Scott, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.