

2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 802

Offered July 17, 2024

Commending Horace S. Savage, Jr.

Patron—

WHEREAS, Horace S. Savage, Jr., of Chesapeake, a proud veteran of World War II and a highly admired leader in his community, celebrated his 99th birthday in 2024; and

WHEREAS, born on July 1, 1925, Horace Savage grew up during the Great Depression and learned the value of hard work and responsibility at a young age; and

WHEREAS, Horace Savage was an 18-year-old student at what is now Hampton University when he was drafted into the military at the height of World War II; and

WHEREAS, during both training and active duty service, Horace Savage and his fellow Black soldiers were forced to overcome prejudice and discrimination, but ultimately helped break down racial barriers for future generations of service members; and

WHEREAS, Horace Savage deployed to Europe with a logistics unit and delivered supplies to the frontlines after the D-Day invasion of Normandy, France, in 1944, then continued to support the campaign to liberate Europe and defeat the Nazis; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable discharge, Horace Savage returned to the Commonwealth and became a trusted community leader in Hampton Roads, inspired by the valuable lessons he learned during his time in the military; and

WHEREAS, Horace Savage pursued a career with Portsmouth Public Schools, where he mentored and supported young people as a teacher, coach, and administrator for more than 37 years; he was a champion for education throughout the Commonwealth and the nation as a member of numerous professional organizations, and he volunteered his wise leadership to a wide range of community organizations in and around Hampton Roads; and

WHEREAS, in all his pursuits, Horace Savage served the Commonwealth and the nation with the utmost integrity, dedication, and distinction; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Horace S. Savage, Jr., hereby be commended on the occasion of his 99th birthday; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Horace S. Savage, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his service to the nation and legacy of personal and professional achievements in Hampton Roads.

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