

2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 865

Offered April 1, 2025

Commending the Ramp Church International.

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WHEREAS, for two decades, the Ramp Church International has blended the traditional Pentecostal experience with contemporary worship services to promote faith and fellowship in the Lynchburg Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the Ramp Church International, originally known as the Ramp Worship Experience, was founded by Bishop S.Y. Younger on April 3, 2005, at the historic Altavista Train Station in Altavista; and

WHEREAS, in its early days, the Ramp Church International held worship services in temporary meeting spaces, including the Altavista Holiday Inn and the Liberty University Chapel, as well as at Love Church International; and

WHEREAS, the Ramp Church International moved to a former pool hall in Hurt and transformed the property into a beautiful and functional sanctuary until further growth necessitated a move to a new building on Candler's Mountain Road in Lynchburg in 2008; and

WHEREAS, around this time, the Ramp Church International began to expand its reach around the world by establishing outreach ministries in Guatemala and India, all while the church continued to grow and thrive at home in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, the Ramp Church International partnered with Euclid Christian Church in midtown Lynchburg to share a facility, then moved again in 2018 to its current home at the former Thomas Road Baptist Church Sanctuary and Educational Complex; and

WHEREAS, the Ramp Church International currently supports local educational programs and small businesses and has continued its global mission work in at least four countries; the church has maintained its unique atmosphere of worship and growth by fostering a culture of genuine love and fellowship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Ramp Church International hereby be commended on the occasion of its 20th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Ramp Church International as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for its work to build a stronger sense of community in Lynchburg.

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