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## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 199**

Offered February 19, 2004

On the death of Lee Eddy.

Patrons—Bell and Edwards; Delegates: Fralin, Griffith and Ware, O.

WHEREAS, Lee Eddy, a former member of the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors and a longtime leader in the Roanoke Valley community, died on February 11, 2004; and

WHEREAS, an electrical engineer from Oregon, Lee Eddy moved to the Roanoke area in 1962 and soon became involved in local government, writing a 23-page report on Roanoke Valley government that argued against consolidation of local governments in favor of better cooperation; and

WHEREAS, Lee Eddy earned the chance to put his theories into practice when he won election to the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors in 1967, later serving as chairman in 1968 and 1971; and

WHEREAS, the demands of his career and his young family took Lee Eddy away from public service for a time, but he came back in the mid-1980s as a founding member and chairman of the Fifth Planning District Commission and as a member of the Roanoke County Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, Lee Eddy was again elected to the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors and was elected chairman in 1992 and 1994; and

WHEREAS, Lee Eddy also served in leadership positions in community service organizations, such as the Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission, the Roanoke County Recycling Advisory Committee, the Clean Valley Council, the Roanoke County Resource Authority, and Friends of the Blue Ridge Parkway; and

WHEREAS, throughout a long and varied career in public service Lee Eddy established a reputation for honesty, sincerity, compassion, attention to detail, and devotion to the welfare of the Roanoke Valley and its citizens; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with sadness the passing of an exceptional Virginian, Lee Eddy; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Lee Eddy as an expression of the respect in which his memory is held by the members of the General Assembly.