## 2006 SESSION

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 90

Commending Dr. M. Rupert Cutler.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 13, 2006 Agreed to by the Senate, January 19, 2006

WHEREAS, Dr. M. Rupert Cutler, respected citizen and city council member since 2002, is recognized for his outstanding service to the City of Roanoke; and

WHEREAS, a native of Detroit, Michigan, Rupert Cutler earned an undergraduate degree in wildlife management from the University of Michigan and master's and doctoral degrees from the Department of Resource Development of Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, Rupert Cutler was an editor for *Virginia Wildlife* and *National Wildlife* and for the magazines of the Virginia Game Department and served as the assistant director of The Wilderness Society, director of the Population-Environment Balance, vice president of the National Audubon Society and president of Defenders of Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, because of his vast knowledge of natural resources and environmental issues, Rupert Cutler was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to serve as the assistant secretary of agriculture for conservation, research, and education in 1977 and he served as a policy director for the United States Forest Service, Soil Conservation Service, and various agencies of the Department of Agriculture until 1980; and

WHEREAS, Rupert Cutler has generously given of his time and talents on numerous civic organizations and advisory boards, including as the director of Virginia's Explore Park and founding director of the Western Virginia Land Trust, chairman of the board of the Western Virginia Water Authority, trustee of the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, president of the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke, and as a member of the board of Opera Roanoke; and

WHEREAS, Rupert Cutler has been a valuable member of the Roanoke City Council from 2002 to 2006; and has contributed immensely to enhancing the environment and the quality of life for all of the residents of Roanoke; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Dr. M. Rupert Cutler on his many achievements; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. M. Rupert Cutler as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his outstanding service and commitment to the citizens of the City of Roanoke.