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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5030

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3 *Commending Walter C. Ayers.* **4**

Patrons—Howell, W.J., Abbitt, Alexander, Byron, Callahan, Cline, Cox, Crockett-Stark, Dudley, Gear, Griffith, Hargrove, Hogan, Hull, Joannou, Johnson, Jones, S.C., Kilgore, Landes, Marshall, D.W., McClellan, Melvin, Morgan, Nixon, Nutter, Plum, Purkey, Reid, Saxman, Sickles, Suit, Tata and Ware, R.L.

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6 WHEREAS, Walter C. Ayers, Chief Executive Officer and President of the Virginia Bankers7 Association, is retiring after 23 years of outstanding service; and

8 WHEREAS, Walter Ayers, a native of Patrick County and a graduate of The College of William and
 9 Mary, has distinguished himself as an effective leader and a persuasive advocate for Virginia's banking
 10 industry; and

11 WHEREAS, during his tenure as the Virginia Bankers Association (VBA) chief executive, Walter 12 Ayers has been invaluable in guiding the state in the modernization and improvement of its banking 13 laws, and the Commonwealth has maintained a favorable banking environment to the benefit of banks 14 and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Walter Ayers has successfully led the VBA's efforts in the United States Congress and
 before state and federal banking regulators and has made other lasting contributions to the success of
 Virginia's banking industry; and

18 WHEREAS, under Walter Ayers' exceptional leadership, the VBA has established itself as a premier19 banking association in the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, Walter Ayers is a true Virginia gentleman and is greatly admired for his integrity and 21 impeccable character; and

WHEREAS, an innovative and visionary leader, Walter Ayers has earned the respect of Virginia's
 legislators and bankers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly
 commend Walter C. Ayers for his dedicated and distinguished service on behalf of Virginia's banking
 industry; and, be it

27 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution
28 for presentation to Walter C. Ayers as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his
29 numerous achievements and best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

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