HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 874

Celebrating the life of Arthur G. Rohm.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 16, 2007 Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2007

WHEREAS, Arthur G. Rohm of Virginia Beach, a respected citizen and retired member of the United States Navy, died of cancer on January 22, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Arthur "Art" Rohm retired in 2003 after 23 years of active service in the United States Navy as a member of the United States Navy SEAL teams; and

WHEREAS, the Navy SEALs are among the world's toughest fighters, and members of this elite unit, trained and deployed for the most dangerous of missions, form unusually tight bonds; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Rohm belonged to a select group within the SEALs, whose members liken themselves to pirates and have been known to encourage teammates with the motto, "Don't give up the bones"; and

WHEREAS, from 2003 to 2006, Arthur Rohm worked for the Central Intelligence Agency as an overseas security specialist, where he earned the CIA's Intelligence Star, awarded for "a voluntary act or acts of courage performed under hazardous conditions or for outstanding achievements or services rendered with distinction under conditions of grave risk"; and

WHEREAS, after leaving the CIA, Arthur Rohm joined the Osen-Hunter Group, a company dedicated to helping organizations solve critical security issues, where he worked until his death; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Rohm will be remembered for his dedication to his family and country and for his tremendous love of the outdoors and will be keenly missed by his beloved wife, Theresa, their two daughters, and many other family members, good friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Arthur G. Rohm, a patriot and a fine Virginian; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Arthur G. Rohm as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.