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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 540

Offered February 29, 2008

Commending W. Wayne Angell.

Patrons—Poindexter; Senator: Hurt

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WHEREAS, W. Wayne Angell has served with distinction as a member of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors for 20 years since January 1, 1988; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell served as chairman of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors for 12 years from January 1996 until December 2007 and currently is serving as vice-chair; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as chairman, Wayne Angell was committed to the prosperity of Franklin County and the best interests of its citizens; he was instrumental in the county obtaining a AA credit rating through Moody's Investors Service; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell was a valuable asset in the opening of the award-winning Leonard A. Gereau Center for Advanced Technology and Career Exploration (CATCE), a hands-on, interactive learning program designed to broaden insight in potential career choices for students; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell was a great supporter of the \$8.2 million expansion and renovation of Franklin County High School; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell's leadership was essential in the successful creation of the Franklin County Workforce Development Consortium, a collaborative effort between community educational and workforce partners to address the need to improve workforce skills within the community, as well as the construction and opening of The Franklin Center, a 30,000 square foot workforce center and state One-Stop Shop; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell worked diligently to preserve 500 acres of land within minutes of downtown Rocky Mount and to include the parcel in the county's park system, ensuring that the land will not be developed and its scenic beauty may be enjoyed by residents and visitors for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell was valuable to the development of 42 miles of water trails or blueways, including eight access points developed for use by the public; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Angell led Franklin County in planning and developing its public water system, establishing a new county library, and establishing a regional jail; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend W. Wayne Angell for his 20 years of outstanding service as a member of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to W. Wayne Angell as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his commitment to the citizens of Franklin County.