

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 230

Offered February 26, 2008

Commending R. Scott Silverthorne.

Patrons—Petersen; Delegates: Bulova, Hull, Moran and Sickles

WHEREAS, R. Scott Silverthorne will retire in 2008 after serving with distinction for nine terms as a member of the Fairfax City Council; and

WHEREAS, a native of the City of Fairfax, Scott Silverthorne graduated from Radford University with a degree in business administration in 1988 and serves as the vice president of government affairs for MasterCard Worldwide, one of the nation's premier payment card brands; and

WHEREAS, the youngest child of former Mayor Frederick W. Silverthorne, Scott Silverthorne has played an active role on many issues in the Fairfax community, including enhancing public services, upgrading schools and public facilities, as well as supporting the revitalization of historic Fairfax; and

WHEREAS, a knowledgeable and hardworking councilman since 1990, Scott Silverthorne was the lead sponsor of the City of Fairfax's successful open-space referendum, which created a dedicated funding source for preservation of open space within the city's six square miles, preserving more than 44 acres of open space for future generations to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Scott Silverthorne has generously given his time and expertise to many civic organizations on the local and regional level, including as a member of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, and the Virginia Municipal League; as a member of the board of the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce; and as cochair of the City of Fairfax's successful bicentennial celebration; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to the prosperity and economic development of Northern Virginia and the welfare of all of its citizens, Scott Silverthorne has been a hardworking and effective leader and a tireless supporter of the City of Fairfax; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly commend R. Scott Silverthorne on his outstanding leadership as a member of the Fairfax City Council; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to R. Scott Silverthorne as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his many achievements and best wishes for success in all of his future endeavors.