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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 665

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*Celebrating the life of Dr. Eugene Abram Foster.*

Patrons—Toscano; Senator: Deeds

WHEREAS, Eugene Abram Foster, M.D., of Charlottesville, a respected citizen and eminent pathology professor and researcher at the University of Virginia Medical School, died on July 21, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Foster was born and grew up in the Bronx, New York, and graduated from the Bronx High School of Science in 1943; and

WHEREAS, Gene Foster attended college and medical school at Washington University in St. Louis, where he met his future wife, Jane Brown, and he interned at Salt Lake City General Hospital; and

WHEREAS, when Gene Foster was drafted into military service, Jane returned from France where she was working, and the loving couple were married by a justice of the peace in Salt Lake City on February 25, 1952; and

WHEREAS, the family lived in South Dakota and North Dakota during Gene Foster's service to his country for three years on Indian reservations with the United States Public Health Service; and

WHEREAS, after completing pathology residencies in Boston and St. Louis, Gene Foster moved his family to Charlottesville in 1959, where he became a prominent member of the University of Virginia Pathology Department; and

WHEREAS, in 1976 Dr. Gene Foster joined the Tufts New England Medical Center in Boston where he worked for 14 years, and upon his retirement in 1990, he and Jane returned home to their beloved community and friends in Charlottesville; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, Dr. Gene Foster was a great supporter of his fellow citizens and his community, volunteering in Democratic Party and Civil Rights activities, the Monticello Area Community Action Agency and the programs of Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gene Foster will be fondly remembered for his love of life and his family and for his tremendous dedication to his profession and will be greatly missed by his wife, Jane, his three children, Susannah, Ethan and Rebecca, and his numerous colleagues and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly mourn the passing of a fine physician and an outstanding Virginian, Dr. Eugene Abram Foster; 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 Dr. Eugene Abram Foster as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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