2009 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 692

Celebrating the life of Michael Sean Tansey.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 16, 2009 Agreed to by the Senate, January 22, 2009

WHEREAS, Michael Sean Tansey of Mechanicsville, a respected citizen, community supporter, and former law-enforcement officer, died on December 5, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Michael Tansey honorably served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War and continued his service in the Marine Corps Reserves; and

WHEREAS, drawn to public service, Michael Tansey was a dedicated police officer with the Henrico County Police for many years; he retired from the Richmond City Police Department after serving in many positions, including K-9, SWAT, and as a pilot with the helicopter patrol; and

WHEREAS, Michael Tansey then joined Philip Morris USA as a manufacturing supervisor, retiring after an exemplary 17-year career with the company; and

WHEREAS, Michael Tansey enthusiastically pursued knowledge; possessed an incredible aptitude for electrical, carpentry, and automotive repair and could fix just about anything; and created beautiful handcrafted furniture in his retirement; and

WHEREAS, always willing to help his fellow citizens in need, Michael Tansey was active in many civic activities and worthy causes and was an enthusiastic supporter of the Mechanicsville community; and

WHEREAS, Michael Tansey was a kind and generous man with a great sense of humor and a zest for life; he will be fondly remembered for enjoying time with his beloved family and good friends at his river house, "Tansey Time," in Tappahannock; and

WHEREAS, Michael Tansey will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of 32 years, Susan F. Tansey; his son, Sean N. Tansey and his wonderful family; and many other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with great sadness the passing of an outstanding Virginian, Michael Sean Tansey; 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 Michael Sean Tansey as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory. HJ692ER