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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 852**

Offered February 5, 2009

Commending W. Randy Wright.

Patrons—Miller, P.J., Alexander, Howell, A.T., Joannou, Lewis, Mathieson, and Melvin; Senators: Miller, Y.B. and Northam

WHEREAS, W. Randy Wright of Norfolk is the 2008 recipient of the Outstanding Contribution by an Individual award by the Virginia Transit Association; and WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Norfolk, Randy Wright has served the citizens of Norfolk as a

member of the Norfolk City Council since 1992; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Virginia Transit Association and the Hampton Roads Transit (HRT) board of directors, Randy Wright was instrumental in helping HRT and the City of Norfolk obtain a full funding grant agreement from the Federal Transit Administration for Virginia's first light rail system, known as The Tide; and

WHEREAS, Randy Wright has been a leader on local, regional, state, and national boards and commissions, serving as a member of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, chairman of the Transit Board Members of North America, and chair of Norfolk's Economic Community and Business Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, Randy Wright recently received the Outstanding Planning Leadership award from the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association for his instrumental role in the ongoing revitalization of the Norfolk community and creation of the area's first Traditional Neighborhood Design; and

WHEREAS, Randy Wright was honored by the Tidewater Builders Association with its prestigious Stanley Award for leadership; and

WHEREAS, an articulate and knowledgeable leader, Randy Wright has served the citizens of Norfolk with skill and dedication for over 20 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend and congratulate W. Randy Wright on being the recipient of the Virginia Transit Association Outstanding Contribution by an Individual award for 2008; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to W. Randy Wright as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his outstanding achievements and gratitude for his commitment to his fellow citizens.