

2009 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 998

Commemorating the life and accomplishments of Nathaniel B. Early, Jr.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 26, 2009

Agreed to by the Senate, February 28, 2009

WHEREAS, Nathaniel B. Early, Jr., a prominent figure in Virginia public service, served as a member of the House of Delegates and Virginia Senate for 36 years and as collector of internal revenue for Virginia for 14 years; and

WHEREAS, a native of Wakefield in scenic Albemarle County, Nathaniel Early was born on July 30, 1866, and attended Fishburne Military School before receiving a bachelor's degree from the Virginia Military Institute and a law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Early represented Greene and Madison Counties in the House of Delegates from 1897 to 1906 and served the 26th Senatorial District for a total of 26 years, where he worked to enact important legislation for his constituents; and

WHEREAS, committed to public service, Nathaniel Early also ran several campaigns for a seat in the United States House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Early diligently served as the United States Collector of Internal Revenue for Virginia for 14 years; in 1945 he saw revenues in Virginia soar from \$90,000,000 to \$830,000,000; and

WHEREAS, in his private life, Nathaniel Early was a farmer and enjoyed spending time with his family, wife Sudie Brent Brown, and their four children; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Early was actively involved in his community as a member of many organizations, including the Methodist Church, Odd Fellows, and Jamestown Exposition Commission in 1907; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Early passed away on August 15, 1947, after having served Virginia for many decades; he left behind a legacy of service to his community and the Commonwealth that serves as a model for others desiring to join public service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commemorate the decades of service to the Commonwealth of Nathaniel B. Early, Jr.; 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 Nathaniel B. Early, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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