HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 891

Celebrating the life of Edward J. LeSueur.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 18, 2011 Agreed to by the Senate, February 24, 2011

WHEREAS, Edward J. LeSueur, a respected funeral director and community leader from Dillwyn, died on December 3, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a Buckingham County native, Edward LeSueur was born on December 2, 1936, to the late Joshua Jackson and Mary Jamerson LeSueur; he was the beloved brother of Alice, Hazel, and the late Ivan; and

WHEREAS, as funeral director of Dunkum Funeral Home for 54 years, Edward LeSueur dedicated his career to providing compassionate services to the deceased and comfort to the bereaved; and

WHEREAS, in 1957 Edward LeSueur joined the Dillwyn Volunteer Fire Department, where he served as telephone dispatcher for Buckingham County before the adoption of radios and private communication systems; he later served as vice president and president; and

WHEREAS, Edward LeSueur joined the Dillwyn Town Council in 1962; he served as Mayor of Dillwyn from 1974 to 1980 before he was elected to the Buckingham County Board of Supervisors, where, from 1980 to 2004, he played an instrumental role in the building and renovation of numerous county properties; and

WHEREAS, Edward LeSueur helped found the first rescue squad in Buckingham County in 1970; as a lifelong member he held many leadership positions, worked to acquire the squad building site, and used the Dunkum Funeral Home hearse to transport individuals to the hospital before ambulances were purchased for the squad; and

WHEREAS, Edward LeSueur led the Lions Club as vice president, president, and a member of the Board of Directors; he organized the Buckingham County Day parade from 1974 to 2000 and decorated the Town of Dillwyn each year for Christmas; and

WHEREAS, a beloved town leader and community volunteer for 44 years, Edward LeSueur will be fondly remembered by his wife, Lillie, his stepdaughter, Tammy, his two grandchildren, many family members, and the neighbors and friends to whom he gave comfort in times of grief; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Edward J. LeSueur, respected funeral director and community leader from Dillwyn; 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 Edward J. LeSueur as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.