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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 249

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*Celebrating the life of Cassell Davenport Basnight.*

Patron—Leftwich

WHEREAS, Cassell Davenport Basnight, a kindhearted, compassionate, and generous gentleman and a native of Chesapeake, died on November 13, 2013; and

WHEREAS, upon receiving his bachelor's degree from Lynchburg College in 1960, Cassell Basnight pursued a law degree from the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, Cassell Basnight started his law practice, later forming Basnight, Kinser, Telfeyan, Leftwich & Nucholls, P.C., where he served as named and senior partner for over 40 years until his retirement in 2010; and

WHEREAS, a staple of the community, Cassell Basnight guided many initiatives, including the Chesapeake Civilian Club and Chesapeake Bank and Trust, and served as founding chairman of the board of directors for Monarch Bank; and

WHEREAS, a mentor to countless individuals and local businesses, Cassell Basnight was known for giving his time, expertise, and resources to help others achieve success; and

WHEREAS, a kind and active spirit, Cassell Basnight influenced the lives of many by encouraging healthy lifestyle choices; many benefited from attending the exercise class he taught at the Greenbrier Country Club for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Cassell Basnight will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Kord, Kirk, Kent, and Christian, and their families, and many other family members and friends; 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 a dedicated Chesapeake public servant, Cassell Davenport Basnight; 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 Cassell Davenport Basnight as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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