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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 424**

Offered March 3, 2014

Commending W. Curtis Outten, Jr.

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WHEREAS, W. Curtis Outten, Jr., a native of Portsmouth, began his 50-year tenure as the attorney for the Town of Lawrenceville on January 1, 1964; and

WHEREAS, W. Curtis Outten, Jr., graduated from the University of Virginia and enlisted in the United States Navy; after his military service, he enrolled in the T.C. Williams Law School at the University of Richmond, where he earned his law degree and later accepted employment with a law firm in Lawrenceville: and

WHEREAS, as attorney for the Town of Lawrenceville, W. Curtis Outten, Jr., served with distinction under several mayors, including Robert Pecht, Norborne Doyle, David Blount, Russell Slayton, Keith Clarke, and current Mayor Douglas Pond; he also serves as a substitute judge in Virginia's 6th Judicial Circuit; and

WHEREAS, reflecting on the number of changes in Lawrenceville over the past 50 years, W. Curtis Outten, Jr., noted the creation of the Route 58 Bypass, development of the two-ward system which provided for one-man-one-vote, results of the Civil Rights Movement, and various technological innovations and changes; and

WHEREAS, W. Curtis Outten, Jr., has provided wise and deliberate guidance and counsel in moments of potential crisis and particularly for complex legal and governmental issues, and he has been a calming influence on the Town of Lawrenceville; and

WHEREAS, W. Curtis Outten, Jr., has been a trusted sage and confidant and a competent public servant as the attorney for the Town of Lawrenceville for 50 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend W. Curtis Outten, Jr., attorney for the Town of Lawrenceville for 50 years; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to W. Curtis Outten, Jr., attorney for the Town of Lawrenceville, as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude and appreciation for his dedicated service to the Town of Lawrenceville and the Commonwealth.