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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 156

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*Commending Dr. James R. Prince.*

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WHEREAS, Dr. James R. Prince, a devoted optometrist who cared for thousands of patients in the Northern Neck, retired after almost six decades of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, a native of Canton, Ohio, James Prince served his country in the United States Navy; he graduated from Tufts University and what is now known as the New England College of Optometry; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Prince moved to the Commonwealth in the 1950s; in 1960, he purchased a practice in the Northern Neck, where he would spend the majority of his career, often as the region's only optometrist; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Prince's practice was a valued institution in the community for 57 years; admired for his deep dedication to his patients, he was known to meet patients in need of emergency treatment, no matter the time or place; and

WHEREAS, a respected leader in the field of optometry, Dr. Prince offered his wisdom and expertise to several boards and professional organizations; he was named the Virginia Optometric Association's Optometrist of the Year in 1976 and earned the group's Distinguished Achievement Award in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Prince plans to spend his well-earned retirement in Kilmarnock with his wife, Sylvia, and enjoy time with his five children and nine grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Dr. James R. Prince hereby be commended on the occasion of his retirement after almost six decades of service to the community as an optometrist; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. James R. Prince as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his commitment to caring for the members of the Northern Neck community and best wishes on his retirement.

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