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Commending Carter Davis, Jr.

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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 170** 

Offered February 28, 2014

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WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., the owner of Davis Auto Center, Inc., in New Church on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, was named the Virginia Independent Automobile Dealer Association's Quality Dealer of the Year for 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Independent Automobile Dealers Association (VIADA) Quality Dealer of the Year award recognizes independent automobile dealers for their contributions to the industry and community, professional service, and adherence to a code of ethics; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., was introduced to the world of automobiles when his father, Carter Davis, Sr., started Davis Auto Center in 1949; Carter Davis, Jr., worked after school and on weekends on cars that his father purchased and learned skills that have stayed with him to this day; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., learned how to treat his customers with courtesy and fairness and always provided them with reliable and safe cars; and

WHÊREAS, Davis Auto Center has been a member of VIADA for 33 years and is a well-known third-generation business that has served the local community for 63 years; and

WHEREAS, Davis Auto Center has an excellent standing relationship with the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Dealer Board, VIADA, their local bank, and their customers and received an A+ rating from the Better Business Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., supports his community by contributing to the local Volunteer Fire Company; he provides land and vehicles to facilitate training on how to retrieve persons trapped as the result of an accident; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., contributes to his community by supporting the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program, sponsoring local high school sports teams, yearbooks, and other ad campaigns, and sponsoring local car shows and festivals; he also supports local Kiwanis and Ruritan Clubs; and

WHEREAS, the Davis family is close-knit, exemplifying the strength of a united and loving family; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., has always believed in the importance of education and stays abreast of the laws and regulations that govern the auto industry; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., has made many contributions to VIADA and the automobile industry throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, Carter Davis, Jr., is a hardworking businessman who represents the important role of small businesses in the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Carter Davis, Jr., on his selection as the Virginia Independent Automobile Dealers Association Quality Dealer of the Year for 2012; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Carter Davis, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation for his achievement and best wishes in his future endeavors.