## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17**

Commending M. Coleman Walsh, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 9, 2014 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 17, 2014

WHEREAS, M. Coleman Walsh, Jr., the Chief Administrative Law Judge for the Virginia Employment Commission, will retire on March 1, 2014, after a distinguished career with the agency spanning more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Coleman Walsh earned bachelor's and law degrees from the University of Richmond and worked briefly for the Virginia Employment Commission as an appeals examiner before entering private practice; and

WHÊREAS, in 1988, Coleman Walsh returned to the Virginia Employment Commission as a full-time special examiner in the Office of Commission Appeals; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, Coleman Walsh was named the Chief Administrative Law Judge for the Virginia Employment Commission; and

WHEREAS, Coleman Walsh served a 15-month tenure as the Acting Assistant Commissioner for Field Operations and on an interim basis as the Acting Commissioner of the Virginia Employment Commission; and

WHEREAS, Coleman Walsh served as the legislative liaison for the Virginia Employment Commission and provided invaluable insight to the Commission on Unemployment Compensation; and

WHEREAS, throughout his exemplary career, Coleman Walsh served the Virginia Employment Commission and the citizens of the Commonwealth with great distinction; and

WHEREAS, in his well-deserved retirement, Coleman Walsh looks forward to spending time with his family and volunteering with his church; now, therefore, be it

RÉSOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend M. Coleman Walsh, Jr., for his distinguished service with the Virginia Employment Commission on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to M. Coleman Walsh, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and gratitude for his outstanding career in public service and best wishes for a rewarding retirement.