HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5256

Commending James Haden.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, November 10, 2014

WHEREAS, James Haden, a respected community leader in Charlottesville, retires as president of Martha Jefferson Hospital in 2014, after 21 years of devoted service to the community; and

WHEREAS, since joining Martha Jefferson Hospital in 1993, James Haden has helped guide the hospital through a rapidly changing health care landscape and has overseen countless enhancements to ensure safe, quality outcomes for patients and their families; and

WHEREAS, under James Haden's leadership, Martha Jefferson Hospital invested in advanced technology to better serve its patients and expanded clinical services, including neurosurgery, advanced cardiology, and orthopedic services; and

WHEREAS, during James Haden's tenure as president, Martha Jefferson Hospital enhanced comprehensive cancer treatment services, recruited specialists from top institutions around the country, opened outpatient care centers and an emergency department, received recognition for excellence in nursing, and earned high scores in state and national patient satisfaction surveys; and

WHEREAS, James Haden oversaw the construction of and move to the Martha Jefferson Hospital facility on Pantops Mountain in 2011 and facilitated a merger with Sentara Healthcare; he also strengthened partnerships with the community through the Martha Jefferson Hospital Foundation; and

WHEREAS, James Haden promoted Martha Jefferson Hospital's Caring Tradition, a culture of providing outstanding service to each patient; he served as a mentor to many of the hospital's dedicated physicians, employees, volunteers, and board members and leaves a legacy of excellence for his successor as president; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend James Haden on the occasion of his retirement as president of Martha Jefferson Hospital; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to James Haden as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his tireless dedication to the community and best wishes on a happy retirement.