

2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 525

Offered April 29, 2014

Commending R. David Ross.

Patron—Peace

WHEREAS, R. David Ross, a dedicated businessman and civil servant in Richmond, has served the Commonwealth in numerous capacities for over two decades; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1989, David Ross served the greater Richmond community for almost a decade as the senior vice president of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce; he represented businesses at local, state, and national levels and established and implemented the first two fundraising cycles for the Greater Richmond Partnership; and

WHEREAS, David Ross continued to serve the Commonwealth as the chief of staff to Lieutenant Governor John H. Hager; he was appointed as the acting commissioner of the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services by Governor James S. Gilmore III and served on the transition teams of Governors George F. Allen and Timothy M. Kaine; and

WHEREAS, from 2000 to 2002, David Ross served as the capital campaign director of the Governor's School for Government and International Studies, where he trained and inspired over 200 volunteers and helped raise over \$7 million for the school; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, David Ross began a distinguished career as a development and management consultant; he has offered his wisdom and expertise to corporations and nonprofit organizations on company structure, management, business cultivation, strategic planning, marketing, and many other topics; and

WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments as a consultant, David Ross has promoted an entrepreneurial spirit among high school students, supported universities and the fine arts, and helped raise over \$100 million in fundraising efforts for various organizations; and

WHEREAS, David Ross is working with the Hanover Tavern, one of the oldest taverns in the United States, to raise \$2 million for the construction of the Education and Event Center, the expansion of the tavern's educational programs, and improvements to the historic building; and

WHEREAS, David Ross also recently served as the executive director of the Older Dominion Partnership and currently serves as the owner and chief executive officer of KLEOS International, Inc., a publishing organization that highlights excellence among Central Virginia businesses; and

WHEREAS, deeply dedicated to enhancing the community, David Ross donates his time and talents to numerous boards and civic and service organizations, including the Hanover Mental Health Association, Hanover Parks and Recreation, Pamunkey Regional Library, Hanover Fire and Rescue, Sunrise House, Bon Secours Richmond Health System, Memorial Regional Medical Center, TheatreLab, Senior Connections, and the Metropolitan Business Foundation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That R. David Ross hereby be commended for his decades of service to the Commonwealth in the public and private sectors; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to R. David Ross as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his many accomplishments and best wishes for continued success.

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