## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5018**

Celebrating the life of David William Otey.

Agreed to by the Senate, June 12, 2014 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, June 12, 2014

WHEREAS, David William Otey of Williamsburg, a proud veteran, accomplished attorney, and community leader, died on March 27, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Richmond, David Otey graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School and earned a bachelor's degree from The College of William and Mary; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of service to his country, David Otey joined the United States Navy and served as a lieutenant on the USS *Belle Grove* during the 1954 nuclear tests at Bikini and Enewetak Atolls; and

WHEREAS, David Otey returned to Williamsburg after his honorable military service; while working full time, he earned a law degree from The College of William and Mary in 1973, then opened a private practice with a friend and former classmate; and

WHEREAS, a respected and successful member of the legal community, David Otey became the local counsel for Anheuser-Busch, and in 2007 he was honored with the Williamsburg Bar Association's Distinguished Service Award; and

WHEREAS, David Otey loved Williamsburg and worked to better the lives of its residents as an active member of many civic and service organizations; he earned countless awards and accolades for his contributions, including honors from the Williamsburg Chamber of Commerce and Boy Scouts of America Troop 103; and

WHEREAS, David Otey enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Bruton Parish Episcopal Church, where he served on the vestry; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, David Otey will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his beloved wife of 64 years, Augusta; children, David, Jr., Marion, and John, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of David William Otey, a proud veteran, respected attorney, and pillar of the Williamsburg community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of David William Otey as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.