

# 2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5072

*Celebrating the life of Leonard E. Ringler.*

Agreed to by the Senate, September 18, 2014

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014

WHEREAS, Leonard E. Ringler, a respected civil servant in the City of Newport News and a beloved son, brother, uncle, and friend, died on July 13, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Portsmouth, Leonard "Len" Ringler grew up in Roanoke and Williamsburg; he graduated from James Blair High School, where he was elected senior class president; and

WHEREAS, Len Ringler earned a bachelor's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, where he joined the Reserve Officers' Training Corps and served as commander of Company G in the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, Len Ringler earned a law degree from The College of William and Mary and was commissioned in the United States Army as an attorney with the Judge Advocate General's Corps; he was stationed at Fort Bragg and Fort Monroe and served a tour in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable discharge, Len Ringler began a long and successful career with the City of Newport News; as one of the leading practitioners of local government law, he was respected as a hardworking and trustworthy servant of the city; and

WHEREAS, following his well-earned retirement as deputy city attorney in 2006, Len Ringler continued to serve the community by establishing the Company G Emerging Leadership Scholarship, which has raised thousands of dollars and which began awarding scholarships to worthy students in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Len Ringler cared deeply for his family, and he will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his mother, Lucy, and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; 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 Leonard E. Ringler, a dedicated civil servant in the City of Newport News; and, be it

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

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