HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 565

Celebrating the life of Dee E. Floyd.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 23, 2015 Agreed to by the Senate, January 29, 2015

WHEREAS, Dee E. Floyd, a proud public servant, hardworking entrepreneur, and active leader in the Rockingham County community, died on November 28, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Clover Hill, Dee Floyd attended Dayton High School and served his country as a member of the United States Navy; he deployed to the Pacific Ocean aboard the USS *Mount McKinley* and participated in the nuclear tests at Bikini Atoll; and

WHEREAS, Dee Floyd returned to the Commonwealth and graduated from Bridgewater College in three years as one of the first recipients of a bachelor of science degree in business administration; and

WHEREAS, a loyal employee of the Colgate-Palmolive Company for almost 30 years, Dee Floyd was also possessed of an entrepreneurial spirit and owned several businesses, including the Gerundo Family Campground; and

WHEREAS, Dee Floyd served the community as the chair of the Rockingham County Republican Party and as a member of the local Zoning Board of Appeals, the Planning Commission, and several other committees and organizations; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1987, Dee Floyd further cultivated a love and respect for the importance of public service as a legislative aide in the Senate of Virginia for seven years; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, Dee Floyd won a seat on the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors and worked diligently to enhance the quality of life of his fellow residents, winning reelection in 2001, 2005, and 2009; and

WHEREAS, Dee Floyd lived his deep faith through his actions, always working to care for his beloved family and serve and support all members of the community; and

WHEREAS, Dee Floyd will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Martha; children, Debra, Susan, Cheryl, and Steven, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Dee E. Floyd, a dedicated public servant, entrepreneur, and community leader; and, be it

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