## **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 133**

Celebrating the life of the Honorable Dudley J. Emick, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 27, 2015

WHEREAS, the Honorable Dudley J. Emick, Jr., of Daleville, who represented the residents of the Roanoke region in the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia and served as a judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court of the 25th Judicial District of Virginia, died on October 25, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Bartley, West Virginia, Dudley Emick was known to family and friends as "Buzz"; he graduated from Jefferson Senior High School and earned a bachelor's degree from what is now Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, where he was a member of the Reserve Officer Training Corps; and

WHEREAS, Dudley Emick served his country in the United States Army as a second lieutenant with the 69th Signal Battalion; after completing his military service, he earned a law degree from the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Dudley Emick practiced law with a firm in Fincastle for many years; desirous to be of further service to the community and the Commonwealth, he ran for and was elected to the House of Delegates in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Dudley Emick was elected to the Senate of Virginia in 1975, and he ably represented the residents of the 22nd District for 16 years; he supported and sponsored many important pieces of legislation and offered his leadership and expertise to several committees; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Dudley Emick was appointed as a judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court of the 25th Judicial District of Virginia, where he presided with great fairness and wisdom until his retirement in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Dudley Emick worked to enhance and strengthen the Botetourt County community; he was a member of the local Lions Club and Jaycees and was active with the Lord Botetourt High School football program; and

WHEREAS, a man of great integrity, Dudley Emick served the Roanoke Valley and the Commonwealth with the utmost professionalism, dedication, and distinction; and

WHEREAS, Dudley Emick will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 53 years, Martha; children, Mary, Dudley III, Margaret, and Laura, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues on both sides of the aisle; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of the Honorable Dudley J. Emick, Jr., a dedicated public servant and community leader; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of the Honorable Dudley J. Emick, Jr., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.