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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 213

Offered March 7, 2016

Commending Carl Lum.

Patrons—Norment, Favola, Locke, Miller, Reeves, Ruff, Stuart, Surovell and Wagner; Delegates: Bell, John J., Campbell, Fariss, Fowler, Hope, Howell, Jones, Kory, Mason, Minchew, Pogge, Rasoul, Simon, Ware and Yancey

WHEREAS, Carl Lum strengthened the Williamsburg community and enhanced entertainment and leisure opportunities for both residents and visitors as park president of Busch Gardens Williamsburg and Water Country USA; and

WHEREAS, previously serving as vice president of finance at Busch Gardens Tampa Bay, Carl Lum joined Busch Gardens Williamsburg and Water Country USA as park president in 2010; under his leadership, both parks enjoyed record performance and significant growth; and

WHEREAS, Carl Lum oversaw major developments at Busch Gardens Williamsburg and Water Country USA, including the opening of the Mach Tower, Verbolten, London Rocks, Tempesto, Vanish Point, and Colossal Curl attractions; he expanded popular seasonal events, such as Christmas Town and Howl-O-Scream, and introduced the Food and Wine Festival and Bier Fest; and

WHEREAS, thanks in part to Carl Lum's leadership and vision, Busch Gardens Williamsburg has been voted the World's Most Beautiful Amusement Park for 25 consecutive years by the members of the National Amusement Park Historical Association; and

WHEREAS, admired for his open-door management style, Carl Lum cultivated mutual respect among team members at all levels and relished the opportunity to converse with guests and gain honest feedback on the parks; and

WHEREAS, Carl Lum was an active leader throughout the Williamsburg area, serving as chair of the Greater Williamsburg Chamber and Tourism Alliance and the Williamsburg Area Destination Marketing Committee, among other organizations, and successfully helped to promote Christmas in Williamsburg; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership of Busch Gardens Williamsburg and Water Country USA, Carl Lum was named park president of SeaWorld and Aquatica in San Antonio, Texas, in 2016; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Carl Lum for his service to the Williamsburg community as park president of Busch Gardens Williamsburg and Water Country USA; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Carl Lum as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the residents of and visitors to the Williamsburg area.

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