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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 838

Offered January 26, 2017

Celebrating the life of Steven Charles Buschor.

Patrons—Rasoul, Bloxom, Boysko, Cole, Hope, Jones, Krizek, Plum, Simon and Ware; Senators: Ebbin, Edwards, Peake and Wagner

WHEREAS, Steven Charles Buschor of Roanoke, the director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Roanoke, died on June 6, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Steven "Steve" Charles Buschor, a native of Delphos, Ohio, was a graduate of Delphos St. John's High School and The Ohio State University, where he received a bachelor's degree in community recreation administration; and

WHEREAS, before settling in Roanoke, Steve Buschor had been director of Parks and Recreation in Gladstone, Missouri, and Van Wert, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor served the people of Roanoke as director of Parks and Recreation for nearly a decade and a half, during which time he advocated expanding the Roanoke Valley Greenway system and local trail networks, as well as playing an important role in luring Deschutes Brewery to Roanoke; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor's professional pride and joy, however, was the transformation of Elmwood Park into a premier outdoor event facility in the Roanoke region following a \$7 million renovation complete with a 5,000-seat amphitheater; and

WHEREAS, a passionate public servant dedicated to making his community more livable, Steve Buschor loved his city, his coworkers, and his projects; his vision for Roanoke was to build a city with a fun atmosphere where young professionals and their families could put down roots and thrive; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor was a member of the National Recreation and Park Association and previously served on the board of the Virginia Recreation and Park Society, among other professional memberships he held; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor served on the Roanoke Valley Campus Advisory Board for National College (now American National University), the Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission, and as a judge for the 2015 Miss Virginia Pageant; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor was a dynamic and innovative leader known for his enthusiasm and pleasant demeanor; outside of the office he enjoyed spending time with his family, riding his motorcycle, reading, cooking, woodworking, and being a handyman; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor loved watching his Ohio State University Buckeyes play football, and he proudly wore the 1975 Rose Bowl ring that he earned while part of the university's athletic training staff; and

WHEREAS, Steve Buschor will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 33 years, Marilyn; daughters, Megan and Lindsay; son-in-law, Chris; grandchildren, Crewe and Beckett; and a host of other family members and good friends; 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 City of Roanoke Parks and Recreation Director Steven Charles Buschor, a passionate public servant dedicated to making his community more livable; 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 Steven Charles Buschor as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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