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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 918

Offered February 9, 2017

*Commending the Reverend Bruce Edward Wilson.*

Patrons—Marshall, D.W., Adams and Howell; Senator: Ruff

WHEREAS, the Reverend Bruce Edward Wilson, longtime pastor of West Main Baptist Church and a nonprofit advocate, was named the 84th Danville Kiwanis Club Citizen of the Year in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Wilson received a bachelor's degree from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, and a master of divinity degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Wilson lived throughout the United States while growing up because his father was an army officer, and his father instilled in him the importance of participating in society, serving others, and caring about all people regardless of rank or class; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Wilson has been pastor of West Main Baptist Church since 1991, and over the past three decades he has displayed a driving passion for serving not only his church but the greater Danville community; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Wilson is a man of faith, a man of passion, and a man of wise counsel, who takes a hands-on approach to charity and exemplifies what it means to be a Danville citizen; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Wilson is a member of the City of Danville Planning Commission and has been actively involved with the Riverview Rotary Club, as well as area nonprofit organizations such as Habitat for Humanity and God's Storehouse; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Wilson is grateful to the City of Danville for providing so many opportunities for civic engagement and influence, and he appreciates the support and understanding of his wife, Cathy, and their children, Evan and Hannah, without whom his role as a community servant would not be possible; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Reverend Bruce Edward Wilson on being honored as the 84th Danville Kiwanis Club Citizen of the Year in 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Reverend Bruce Edward Wilson, longtime pastor of West Main Baptist Church, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his exemplary citizenship and community service.

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