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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 934

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Commending Marcus T. Meachum, Jr.

Patron—Morefield

WHEREAS, Marcus T. Meachum, Jr., will retire as president and chief executive officer of the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce on March 31, 2017, after 20 years of service and leadership; and

WHEREAS, a native of Bluefield, West Virginia, Marcus Meachum graduated from Wake Forest University and followed in his father's footsteps as a businessman, operating the family chain of shoe stores from the late 1970s to the early 1990s; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Meachum worked in sales for a small cellular phone company that became a part of AT&T from 1995 to April 1, 1997, when he began working at the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, as president and chief executive officer of the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce, Marcus Meachum ably met the unique challenges of serving communities in both Virginia and West Virginia and developed strong partnerships with local, state, and national organizations to better serve the residents and businesses of Bluefield; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1904, the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce is one of the oldest businesses in the area, and Marcus Meachum has achieved one of the longest tenures as its president and chief executive officer; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Meachum credits his success to the hard work and dedication of the staff and volunteers of the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce and the love and support of his wife of 44 years, Patricia, and their children, Kelly and Scott; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Marcus T. Meachum, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement as president and chief executive officer of the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Marcus T. Meachum, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his two decades of service to the residents of Bluefield and surrounding communities.

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