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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 979

Offered February 15, 2017

Celebrating the life of O. Lynwood Byerly.

Patrons—Landes and Wilt; Senators: Hanger and Obenshain

WHEREAS, O. Lynwood Byerly of Bridgewater, a public servant and a man of deep and abiding faith who made many contributions to the community, died on February 2, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Lynwood Byerly graduated from Linville-Edom High School, then served his country as a member of the United States Navy for four years; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, Lynwood Byerly pursued a 50-year career as an insurance salesman, earning many professional designations and national awards and accolades; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the community, Lynwood Byerly ran for and was elected to the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors, where he served for eight years; he also offered his wise leadership to the Bridgewater Retirement Community as a board member; and

WHEREAS, guided by his faith, Lynwood Byerly was a past member of Muhlenberg Lutheran Church, Otterbein United Methodist Church, and Fishersville United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Lynwood Byerly had most recently enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregation of Bridgewater United Methodist Church, and he was active with the Industrial and Commercial Ministries and served as a volunteer chaplain at a local poultry plant; and

WHEREAS, Lynwood Byerly will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Georgia, and his children, David, Mary, Mark, Daniel, and Timothy, and their families; 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 O. Lynwood Byerly, a public servant and community leader in Bridgewater; 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 O. Lynwood Byerly as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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