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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 388**

Offered February 9, 2017

Commending Harry Maxwell Healy.

Patron—Hodges

WHEREAS, Harry Maxwell Healy retired after 60 consecutive years as an election official in Gloucester County, where he presided over his last election in 2016; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Gloucester County, Harry Maxwell "Max" Healy attended Botetourt School and graduated from Botetourt High School; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy has contributed significantly to the greater Gloucester community during his lifetime, not only as a valued election official, but also as a businessman and civic leader; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy began his esteemed career as an election official, serving as a clerk in 1956, then as an election judge, and finally he served as Botetourt precinct chief; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy worked many long days at the polls over the past 60 years, sometimes as long as 5 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. the next morning, when paper ballots had to be counted by hand, before the advent of electronic voting machines; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy went to work at Bailey Amusement Company in the 1950s and rose through the ranks to become owner and president of the company, which he sold in 2004; under his leadership the business expanded to provide services to counties and cities on the Middle Peninsula, the Northern Neck, and the Virginia Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy was a founding member and served on the board of directors of Peninsula Trust Bank, served on the advisory board of BB&T Bank, and has volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and Meals on Wheels; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy was instrumental in founding Gloucester Youth Baseball in 1963; he is a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church in Gloucester, where he has held many positions, including elder; and

WHEREAS, Max Healy is an outstanding public servant who played a vital role in the democratic process for 60 years, ensuring that all votes were counted on each and every Election Day; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Harry Maxwell Healy hereby be commended on his retirement after 60 consecutive years as an election official in Gloucester County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Harry Maxwell Healy as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his admirable dedication to civic duty and democracy.