

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 293

Celebrating the life of the Honorable Warren E. Barry.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 19, 2017
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 27, 2017

WHEREAS, the Honorable Warren E. Barry, a businessman and public servant who ably represented the residents of Northern Virginia in both chambers of the General Assembly, died on March 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Boston, Massachusetts, Warren Barry graduated from the University of Massachusetts and honorably served his country as a member of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, after settling in Springfield, Warren Barry served as a shop teacher and guidance counselor at Fairfax County Public Schools until 1967, when he joined Lynch Brothers Commercial Real Estate Management, which he later purchased and renamed Barry Associates; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the Commonwealth, Warren Barry ran for and was elected to the House of Delegates in 1968; he was reelected seven times and served until 1983 when he became the Fairfax County Clerk of Court; and

WHEREAS, Warren Barry returned to Richmond in 1991 as a member of the Senate of Virginia, serving until 2002 when he was appointed commissioner of the Virginia ABC Board, where he served until his well-earned retirement in 2006; and

WHEREAS, during his 20 years in the General Assembly, Warren Barry introduced and supported many important pieces of legislation and often sought bipartisan consensus on issues; he offered his leadership to the Senate as chair of the Committee on Transportation; and

WHEREAS, Warren Barry was known for his straightforward personality and strong convictions; he served Fairfax County and the Commonwealth with dedication and integrity; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife of 29 years, Cheryl, Warren Barry will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his sons, Stan, Jim, and Scott, and their families, and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues on both sides of the aisle; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of the Honorable Warren E. Barry, a respected businessman and public servant; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of the Honorable Warren E. Barry as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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