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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 384

Offered February 8, 2017

Celebrating the life of Thomas Paul Dean.

Patrons—Deeds; Delegate: Austin

WHEREAS, lifelong Clifton Forge resident Thomas Paul Dean, the owner of a local insurance and real estate agency and a highly respected civic leader, died on July 20, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Thomas "Tom" Dean, a son of Aubrey and Jean Dean, graduated from Clifton Forge High School in 1967; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean was a member of the Clifton Forge High School Mountaineers basketball team that captured the Group II state championship title and finished the season with a perfect 23-0 record in 1966; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean returned to Clifton Forge after graduating from The Catholic University of America in 1971, and became a licensed real estate broker and insurance agent, joining his father at the firm Racey & Dean, Inc., of which he became president in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean dearly loved the Clifton Forge community and sought out ways to give back to its citizens as often as he possibly could; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death, Tom Dean served on the advisory board of First Citizens Bank in Clifton Forge, was chair of the Clifton Forge Industrial Development Authority, and was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Clifton Forge; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean was a past president of the Clifton Forge Chamber of Commerce, the Clifton Forge Merchants and Professional Associates, and the Clifton Forge Kiwanis Club; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean had been a member of the board of directors of the Alleghany Highlands Economic Development Authority, a position he was appointed to by Governors L. Douglas Wilder, George Allen, and Jim Gilmore; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean served on the Alleghany Highlands School Board from 1986 to 1994, and he was a board member and later advisor to the Jackson River Technical Center; and

WHEREAS, from 1976 to 1983, Tom Dean was the voice of the Clifton Forge High School Mountaineers, announcing the school's football and basketball games on behalf of a local radio station; and

WHEREAS, Tom Dean will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Mary Anne; daughters, Catherine and Kelly; grandsons, Brian and Gabriel; and a host of other relatives and good friends; 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 Thomas Paul Dean, a highly respected civic leader and local insurance and real estate agency owner in Clifton Forge; and, be it

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

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