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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 166

Offered January 29, 2018

Celebrating the life of Joseph C. Stiles, Jr.

Patrons—Fowler and Peace; Senators: Dunnivant, McClellan and McDougale

WHEREAS, Joseph C. Stiles, Jr., a veteran who served in World War II and an entrepreneur who made many contributions to the Ashland community, died on September 22, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Stiles graduated from St. Christopher's School in Richmond and continued his education at Randolph-Macon College; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of service to the nation, Joseph Stiles joined many of the other young men of his generation as a member of the United States Army Air Corps during World War II; and

WHEREAS, a cunning aviator, Joseph Stiles flew more than 90 missions in the venerable P-47 Thunderbolt, including missions during the D-Day invasion of Normandy, France; he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his heroism and extraordinary achievements; and

WHEREAS, after the war, Joseph Stiles returned home to the Commonwealth and served the Ashland community as owner of Luck Motor Company until his well-earned retirement in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Stiles was also a member of the Randolph-Macon College Board of Trustees and volunteered his time and leadership with the Ashland Kiwanis Club; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his first wife, Elizabeth, Joseph Stiles will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Hilah; children, Joseph III, James, and Edward, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 Joseph C. Stiles, Jr., a respected veteran and a hardworking member of the Ashland community; 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 Joseph C. Stiles, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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