## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 222**

Celebrating the life of Bruce Edison Bentley, Sr.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 9, 2018 Agreed to by the Senate, February 15, 2018

WHEREAS, Bruce Edison Bentley, Sr., a former civil servant and a respected member of the Southwest Virginia community, died on August 22, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a native of Appalachia in Wise County, Bruce Bentley earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Emory & Henry College, then served his country as a member of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, Bruce Bentley worked as the supervisor of a chemistry lab; he later retired as manufacturing manager of Unisys Corporation's printed circuit facility; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Bentley worked to enhance the quality of life of the residents of Washington County as county administrator, ably carrying out his duties from 1990 to 1995; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Bentley enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregation of Pleasant View United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Bentley will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 61 years, Sally; his children, Bruce, Jr., and Jo, 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 Bruce Edison Bentley, Sr.; 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 Bruce Edison Bentley, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.