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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 223

Offered February 6, 2018

*Celebrating the life of Michael Evan Watkins.*

Patrons—O'Quinn, Adams, D.M., Austin, Cole, Heretick, Hope, Landes, Lindsey, Morefield, Pillion, Rasoul, Simon, Thomas and Ware; Senators: Ebbin, Howell and Spruill

WHEREAS, Michael Evan Watkins, a beloved son, brother, and friend in Bristol, Tennessee, died on July 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Michael Watkins graduated with the Class of 2016 from Virginia High School in Bristol, where he was a valued teammate on the baseball and football teams and was well liked by both teachers and students; and

WHEREAS, Michael Watkins enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Beaverview Baptist Church as a child and was later an active member of the youth program at Highlands Fellowship Church; and

WHEREAS, Michael Watkins had a zest for life and particularly enjoyed fishing and golfing; he touched many lives in the community through his cheerful personality and bright smile; and

WHEREAS, Michael Watkins will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his parents, Henry and Karen; brother, Josh; grandparents, Henry, Gail, Clyde, and Linda; 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 Michael Evan Watkins, a beloved member of the Bristol 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 Michael Evan Watkins as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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