2018 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 223

Celebrating the life of Michael Evan Watkins.

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

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.