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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 377

Offered February 26, 2018

Celebrating the life of Howard Franklin Simpson.

Patrons-Edmunds; Senators: Peake and Ruff

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WHEREAS, Howard Franklin Simpson, a former law-enforcement officer and a hardworking public servant who dedicated his life to supporting the residents of Prince Edward County, died on February 13, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a native of Rice and a lifelong resident of Prince Edward County, Howard Simpson began his service to his beloved home county as a junior deputy in the Prince Edward County Sheriff's Office; he was appointed as sheriff from August 1974 to November 1975; and

WHEREAS, Howard Simpson then pursued a career as an insurance agent with the Home Beneficial Life Insurance Company and the American General Life Insurance Company; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the community, Howard Simpson ran for and was elected to the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors; he represented the Farmville District from January 1992 until the time of his passing, including terms as vice chair from 1998 to 2013 and chair from 2014 to 2016; and

WHEREAS, Howard Simpson also served on the Prince Edward County Social Services Board for 16 years, including as vice chair from 1994 to 1998 and chair from 1999 to 2002 and 2010 to 2017, and he represented the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors on many regional and state boards and committees; and

WHEREAS, Howard Simpson will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 42 years, Joan; his children, Billy, Darryl, Frankie, Donna, and Kim, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; 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 Howard Franklin Simpson, a consummate public servant who made many contributions to the Prince Edward County 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 Howard Franklin Simpson as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.