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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 437

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*Celebrating the life of Herman J. Chaney.*

Patrons—Poindexter and Adams, L.R.; Senators: Stanley and Suetterlein

WHEREAS, Herman J. Chaney, a beloved husband, respected veteran, and active Franklin County resident, died on February 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, born in Eastwood, Kentucky, Herman Chaney served in the United States Army from 1967 to 1974; he began his service at Fort Benning, Georgia, and was later deployed to South Korea and Vietnam before being stationed at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and Fort Meade, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, during his military service, Herman Chaney was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Vietnam Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, after leaving the army, Herman Chaney settled in Indiana where he worked for both the Franklin County Sheriff's Department and the Brookville Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in 1983, Herman Chaney moved to the Hampton Roads area and embarked on a 22-year career at Naval Weapons Station Yorktown; following his retirement, he settled in Boones Mill in Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, Herman Chaney was a leader in American Legion Post 6 and Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10840, Obie D. Minter Memorial Post; he served as a services officer and chaplain with the American Legion and as a post commander and past 5th District commander and senior vice commander with the VFW; and

WHEREAS, among other community accomplishments, Herman Chaney was instrumental in bringing The Moving Wall Vietnam War Memorial to the Franklin County Recreation Park; and

WHEREAS, Herman Chaney received several accolades for his work with veterans' organizations, including the Legionnaire of the Year award from American Legion Post 6 and the Veteran of the Year award from VFW Post 10840; in 2017, he received the Rocky Mount Rotary Club's Patriot Award; and

WHEREAS, a member of Isaacs Lodge No. 29 of the Masons, Herman Chaney was a man of faith who served on several committees at Boones Mill Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Herman Chaney will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his wife, Rose, as well as numerous other family members, friends, and Franklin County residents; 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 Herman J. Chaney, a dedicated citizen who gave generously of his time in service to the 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 Herman J. Chaney as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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