2018 SESSION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 154

Commending H. Phillip Smith.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 8, 2018

WHEREAS, H. Phillip Smith, a respected member of the Danville Utility Commission and a dedicated public servant, has provided outstanding service to the City of Danville and Danville Utilities consumers; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith received his education from the University of Richmond and Rutgers University; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith was appointed to the Danville Utility Commission from 1999 to 2006 and again from 2008 to 2017 and played a vital role in a number of projects that created greater efficiency and reliability for Danville Utilities; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Danville Utility Commission appointed Phillip Smith as vice chair from 2009 to 2014 and as chair from 2014 to 2017; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith's tenure included the development and construction of the Danville fiber network, which was the first municipal open access, open services network in the United States and which serves both commercial and residential customers; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith's tenure included the implementation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure, which allows for consumption information to be transmitted wirelessly, improving meter reading accuracy and meter services; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith's tenure included the renovation of the Danville Utilities Engineering Building and the Danville Utilities Operations Center, which created greater organizational efficiency; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith's tenure included the Water Main Replacement Project and the Gas Main Replacement Project, which created greater sustainability and reliability for customers throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith's tenure included the construction of an Electric Third Delivery Point, which increased reliability in electric service and allowed for additional industrial capacity to advance new economic development growth; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Smith has served the City of Danville Utilities customers with great devotion, experience, and skill and has supported public policies that have helped improve the quality of life of all of the citizens of Danville and the region; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That H. Phillip Smith hereby be commended for his extraordinary dedication and public service; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to H. Phillip Smith as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his commitment to the well-being of the people of the City of Danville and the Commonwealth.