

2018 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 241

Commending William E. Blalock.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 7, 2018
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 8, 2018

WHEREAS, William E. Blalock, a respected leader who served as a member of the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors for nearly 50 years, retired on November 6, 2017, following a distinguished career in local government; and

WHEREAS, a dairy farmer from Baskerville, William E. "Bill" Blalock was first elected to the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors in 1968 and served until 1972; he then rejoined the Board in 1976 and served continuously until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, with 46 total years of service, Bill Blalock was recognized as the longest tenured county supervisor in the Commonwealth by the Virginia Association of Counties; and

WHEREAS, during his half-century on the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors, Bill Blalock helped guide the County's growth and evolution and became known for his outspokenness and loyalty to his constituents; and

WHEREAS, Bill Blalock also established a reputation as a staunch fiscal conservative; one of his favorite questions to those making funding requests to the Board of Supervisors was, "Is this something you need or is it something you just want?"; and

WHEREAS, in a statement announcing his retirement, Bill Blalock praised the dedication of his fellow Board of Supervisors members and stated that it had been an honor to serve the residents of Mecklenburg County for over four decades; and

WHEREAS, Bill Blalock leaves a legacy of devotion to the community, cooperation with his fellow elected officials, and wise leadership to future members of the Board of Supervisors and residents of Mecklenburg County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend William E. Blalock for his many years of outstanding service to the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to William E. Blalock as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his dedication to the residents of Mecklenburg County and best wishes for a well-deserved retirement.

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