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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 49

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Commending Adrian K. Lund, Ph.D.

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WHEREAS, Adrian K. Lund, Ph.D., a leader in the highway safety research field for the past 36 years, retired on January 15, 2018, as president of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and the Highway Loss Data Institute; and

WHEREAS, headquartered in Arlington, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and the Highway Loss Data Institute are independent, nonprofit scientific and educational organizations that share the mission of reducing the losses—deaths, injuries, and property damage—from motor vehicle crashes on the roads of Virginia and the entire nation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lund received a bachelor's degree from North Carolina State University and a doctorate from the State University of New York at Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lund moved to Virginia in 1981 to join the Institutes as a behavioral scientist, becoming senior vice president for research in 1993, chief operating officer in 2001, and president in 2006; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Dr. Lund has conducted and guided a wide variety of scientific research to identify and develop countermeasures that reduce the deaths, injuries, and property damage from motor vehicle crashes; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership as president, Dr. Lund guided the development and use of crash test programs to educate consumers about the vehicles that provide the best overall performance in a crash; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lund expanded the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's evaluation programs to include roof strength, driver-side and passenger-side small overlap front protection, child booster seats, LATCH systems, and trailer underride guards; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lund launched the first consumer evaluations of crash avoidance technologies, including front crash prevention and headlights, and positioned the Institute to evaluate automated vehicle technologies through a state-of-the-art expansion of the Vehicle Research Center in Ruckersville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lund expanded the research of the Highway Loss Data Institute, which produced groundbreaking work on the effectiveness of crash avoidance technologies; and

WHEREAS, under Dr. Lund's guidance, the work of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and the Highway Loss Data Institute has saved countless lives and prevented countless injuries on the roads of Virginia and the nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Adrian K. Lund, Ph.D., hereby be commended for his distinguished career in highway safety on the occasion of his retirement in 2018 as president of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and the Highway Loss Data Institute; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Adrian K. Lund, Ph.D., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his commitment to the safety and well-being of the drivers, passengers, pedestrians, motorcyclists, and bicyclists on the Commonwealth's roads.

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