## 18107995D SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71

Commending James Puckett.

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Offered March 8, 2018

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WHEREAS, James Puckett, a respected educator and community leader who served on the Campbell County Board of Supervisors for 20 years, retired in 2018 following a distinguished career; and

WHEREAS, James "J.D." Puckett was born and raised in Campbell County and attended William Campbell High School; he then earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated and talented educator, J.D. Puckett taught at William Campbell High School from 1966 to 1997; in addition, he taught for two years in Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, J.D. Puckett was elected to his first term on the Campbell County Board of Supervisors; he was later reelected four more times, serving on the board for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, a tireless champion for the Brookneal Election District and the Town of Brookneal, J.D. Puckett brought a wealth of experience and local knowledge to his tenure on the Campbell County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, among many other accomplishments in local government, J.D. Puckett founded and organized the Campbell County Heritage Festival, which is now in its ninth year, and spearheaded the development of the Community Park located beside William Campbell High School; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure on the Campbell County Board of Supervisors, J.D. Puckett served as chairman three times, served on nearly all of the county's committees, including the Public Safety Committee and the Public Works Committee, and served on the Campbell County Utilities and Services Authority and the Brookneal-Campbell County Airport Authority; and

WHEREAS, J.D. Puckett was honored with a retirement reception at Glendale Manor in Brookneal on January 7, 2018; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That James Puckett hereby be commended on his exemplary service to the residents of Campbell County 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 James Puckett as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his impressive career accomplishments and best wishes for the future.