2018 SPECIAL SESSION I

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 547

Commending Louis J. Tayon, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, May 30, 2018

WHEREAS, Louis J. Tayon, Jr., helped enhance the educational process for Chesapeake students as a member of the Chesapeake School Board from 2014 to 2018; and

WHEREAS, Louis Tayon grew up in Chesapeake, where he graduated from Oscar Smith High School; he holds degrees from Old Dominion University and Nova Southeastern University, served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Vietnam War, and was a member of the United States Coast Guard Reserve for more than two decades; and

WHEREAS, after returning home to the Commonwealth, Louis Tayon joined the Chesapeake Police Department; he became the first Youth Services Officer assigned to Indian River High School and Indian River Middle School and retired as deputy chief after 40 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Louis Tayon shared his law-enforcement expertise as a consultant for the Police Executive Research Forum and an adjunct instructor at Tidewater Community College, and he has served the community as a past president of the Great Bridge Rotary Club and the South Norfolk Ruritan Club, as well as a member and former chair of the Chesapeake Jubilee Board; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service, Louis Tayon ran for and was elected to the Chesapeake School Board in May 2014; during his time on the board, he worked to ensure that students had the tools to build a foundation for success in higher education and careers and become responsible citizens of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Louis Tayon also supports students as a member of the Chesapeake Public Schools Education Foundation and is a mentor for the Grassfield High School STRIVE Program; he has earned numerous awards and accolades for his personal and professional achievements as a law-enforcement officer and a community leader; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Louis J. Tayon, Jr., hereby be commended for his service to the young people of Chesapeake as a member of the Chesapeake School Board; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Louis J. Tayon, Jr., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his contributions to the Chesapeake community.