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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 741

Offered January 23, 2019

Celebrating the life of Franklin E. Laughon.

Patrons—Cox; Senator: Chase

WHEREAS, Franklin E. Laughon, a successful businessman and a respected leader in the Richmond community, died on November 22, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Franklin E. "Pepper" Laughon grew up in Richmond, where he attended St. Christopher's School and Thomas Jefferson High School; and

WHEREAS, Pepper Laughon continued his education at Randolph-Macon College, then served his country for two years as a photographer for the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, after returning home to the Commonwealth, Pepper Laughon pursued a career in business, becoming president and chief executive officer of Richmond Cold Storage; he was inducted into the Greater Richmond Business Hall of Fame in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Pepper Laughon also supported the community by volunteering his time and leadership with Kiwanis International, BB&T Bank, the Richmond Eye and Ear Hospital, and Rubicon, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, a proud alumnus of Randolph-Macon College, Pepper Laughon served on the institution's Board of Trustees, where he was active with the athletics and student affairs committees and the Greek alumni advisory board; and

WHEREAS, Pepper Laughon will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 56 years, Stuart; his daughters, Catherine and Page, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Franklin E. Laughon, a businessman who strengthened the Richmond community through his generosity and civic leadership; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Franklin E. Laughon as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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