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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 908**

Offered February 11, 2019

*Celebrating the life of George Fuller Cridlin.*

Patrons—Kilgore; Senators: Carrico, Cosgrove, DeSteph and Stanley

WHEREAS, George Fuller Cridlin, a respected civic servant and a passionate community leader in Jonesville and Lee County, died on December 14, 2018; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Jonesville High School in 1965, George Cridlin studied business at Carson-Newman University in Jefferson City, Tennessee, then served his country as a member of the United States Army Corps of Engineers during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, George Cridlin earned a law degree from the University of Richmond's T.C. Williams School of Law and returned to Jonesville to follow in the footsteps of his father and grandfather as an attorney; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Jonesville Town Council, George Cridlin worked diligently to develop positive, productive solutions to every challenge; he offered his legal expertise to local leaders as town attorney for 33 years; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, George Cridlin joined the board of directors of Powell Valley National Bank; during his tenure, the bank doubled its assets, tripled its loans across the community, and expanded to several new locations; and

WHEREAS, George Cridlin served the community with the Lee County Hospital Authority, the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority, and the Jonesville Lions Club, and he was an avid supporter and fundraiser for youth athletics; and

WHEREAS, George Cridlin enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregation of Jonesville United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, while he and his wife, Karen, were accomplished world travelers, George Cridlin's heart always remained in Lee County, and he nurtured a lifelong fascination with the history and heritage of the community; and

WHEREAS, George Cridlin will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 47 years, Karen; his sons, Fuller and Jay, 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 George Fuller Cridlin, a pillar of the Jonesville and Lee County communities; 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 George Fuller Cridlin as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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