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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 918

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*Commending David Rosenberg.*

Patrons—Jones, S.C., Adams, D.M., Austin, Brewer, Byron, Carr, Cole, Convirs-Fowler, Delaney, Filler-Corn, Heretick, Hope, Keam, Kory, Landes, LaRock, Lindsey, Marshall, Orrock, Pogge, Rodman, Thomas, Ware and Yancey; Senators: Boysko, Dance, Deeds, Ebbin, Hanger, Howell, Reeves, Ruff and Wagner

WHEREAS, after an outstanding 34-year career in state government, David Rosenberg retired as a senior attorney with the Finance and Government Section of the Division of Legislative Services on October 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, David Rosenberg began his legal career in private practice with a fellow attorney from 1981 to 1984, when he accepted his first position with the Commonwealth as an Assistant Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, while at the Office of the Attorney General, David Rosenberg served in the Consumer and Antitrust, Appellate, and Claims Sections, handling numerous cases related to the Virginia Antitrust Act and the Virginia Consumer Protection Act; and

WHEREAS, in one such case, David Rosenberg represented the interests of 5,000 Virginia consumers against 38 lending institutions, resulting in an \$11 million settlement for the consumers; he also handled criminal appeals and habeas corpus actions, including several capital murder cases, on behalf of the Commonwealth at all levels of state and federal courts; and

WHEREAS, from 1990 to 1995, David Rosenberg served as Deputy Director of the Department of Personnel and Training, overseeing personnel functions for all executive branch agencies under Governor L. Douglas Wilder, then briefly served as Deputy Secretary of Administration under Governor George Allen; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 1999, David Rosenberg joined the Division of Legislative Services, where he became known for his insights and acumen on taxation issues as a member of the Finance and Government Section; he provided exceptional bill drafting, committee staffing, legal guidance, and constituent services on behalf of the members of the Virginia General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, for 19 years, David Rosenberg served as counsel for the House Committee on Appropriations and the House Committee on Finance; the chairmen, members, and staff of the committees relied heavily on him for his expert legal interpretations and guidance, as well as his ability to draft complex fiscal legislation with far-reaching impact in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, among his many achievements in service to the citizens of Virginia, David Rosenberg assisted in drafting legislation to reform the Virginia Retirement System and restructure the Commonwealth's tax code; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his distinguished career, David Rosenberg gained a wealth of institutional knowledge regarding the laws of the Commonwealth and the operation of the General Assembly, and he was eager to share his knowledge and experiences with his coworkers; and

WHEREAS, David Rosenberg's personal integrity, commitment to public service, and professional contributions helped ensure the good and efficient functioning of state government and enabled the General Assembly to better serve the residents of and visitors to the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend David Rosenberg for his decades of service to the Commonwealth on the occasion of his retirement from the Division of Legislative Services in 2018; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to David Rosenberg as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his hard work and legal expertise and best wishes on a well-earned retirement.

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