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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 946

Offered February 13, 2019

*Celebrating the life of John George Liakos.*

Patrons—Rasoul, Adams, D.M., Delaney, Heretick, Hope, Kory, Landes and Ware; Senators: Boysko, Ebbin and Reeves

WHEREAS, John George Liakos, who served delicious food to generations of Roanoke residents as a manager of the Roanoke Weiner Stand, a beloved fixture of the community, died on November 22, 2018; and

WHEREAS, John "Johnny" George Liakos was born in Athens, Greece, and was one of the last people to pass through Ellis Island when immigrating to the United States; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Liakos settled in Roanoke and worked for 54 years at the Roanoke Weiner Stand, a local institution that has served residents for more than 100 years, becoming the night manager; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Liakos was a trusted mentor and friend to his fellow employees at the Roanoke Weiner Stand, and members of the community will remember his favorite saying as he peered out over the line of hungry customers: "Somebody's got to be next"; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife of 32 years, Mary, Johnny Liakos will be fondly remembered by his daughters, Virginia and Laura, and their families, and numerous other family members, friends, and customers; 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 John George Liakos, a beloved restaurateur in Roanoke; 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 John George Liakos as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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