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Celebrating the life of Charles Austin Joy, Jr.

Patrons—Fowler; Senator: McDougle

WHEREAS, Charles Austin Joy, Jr., a beloved member of the Hanover County community and an accomplished real estate agent who was respected for his commitment to fairness and his wealth of professional expertise, died on June 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Norfolk Academy and The College of William & Mary, Austin Joy pursued a long and successful career in real estate, using his ability to form deep connections with people of all ages and backgrounds to build trust between clients and colleagues alike; and

WHEREAS, Austin Joy worked with property owners in Richmond's Fan and Museum Districts, and he was well-known for his work with River Road Shopping Center, but he was most active in Carytown, serving at one time as president of the Carytown Merchants Association, and working for years at Spotts and Carneal, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Austin Joy handled many different types of properties, from the Carytown Shopping Center to smaller buildings; a compassionate listener, he understood the challenges facing small business owners and offered unique solutions to help his clients achieve their goals; and

WHEREAS, Austin Joy was a gifted painter and a talented cook who formerly worked at the Smokey Pig in Ashland; he enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a cherished member of the Fork Church; and

WHEREAS, Austin Joy courageously sacrificed his own life while performing a rescue in a rip current off the coast of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Austin Joy will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Ali; his children, Charles, Ryland, and Mary; his parents, Charles and Faye; 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 Charles Austin Joy, Jr., a highly admired real estate professional and a beloved husband and father; 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 Charles Austin Joy, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.