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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 230

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Celebrating the life of Michael Joseph Bogese, Jr.

Patrons—Adams, D.M., Delaney, Heretick, Hope, Ingram, Kory, Rasoul, Reid, Rodman, Roem, Sullivan and Ware

WHEREAS, Michael Joseph Bogese, Jr., a successful Realtor who made many contributions to the Richmond community through his leadership, generosity, and commitment to excellence, died on April 24, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a native of Prince George County, Michael Bogese was active with the Boy Scouts of America, achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, and attended Prince George High School, where he excelled in both academics and athletics; and

WHEREAS, Michael Bogese earned a bachelor's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech); as a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, he served on the school's precision drill team, the Gregory Guard, and was vice president of the Class of 1968; and

WHEREAS, Michael Bogese served his country as a second lieutenant in the United States Army, assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division in the Republic of Korea, and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, Michael Bogese returned to the Commonwealth to work at Bogese, Inc., the business founded by his parents in 1945; he eventually oversaw the company's move to Richmond, where he developed more than 3,000 single-family homes in the area; and

WHEREAS, under Michael Bogese's leadership, the company subsequently developed a number of retail and multifamily structures, including the award-winning Belvedere Apartments in Bon Air and a regional landfill in Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, respected by his professional peers, Michael Bogese was a past president of the Home Builders Association of Virginia, a member of the board of directors of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the National Association of Home Builders and the National Association of Realtors; and

WHEREAS, Michael Bogese volunteered his time and wise leadership with many charitable organizations, including the Heart Fund, Kiwanis Club, United Way, Massey Cancer Center, and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, a proud alumnus of Virginia Tech and a dedicated fan of Hokie football, Michael Bogese was a member of the Ut Prosim Society, a generous benefactor of the Virginia Tech Hokie Club, and a former member of the board of directors of the Virginia Tech Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Michael Bogese will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Allyson, Michael, and Jessica, and their families, and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Michael Joseph Bogese, Jr., a respected businessman and an active leader in the Richmond community; 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 Michael Joseph Bogese, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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