SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 113

Celebrating the life of John Marshall Rasnick, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 14, 2019

WHEREAS, John Marshall Rasnick, Jr., a respected veteran and a former legislative committee clerk for the Senate of Virginia, died on December 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, born in Clintwood, John Rasnick graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School and studied at St. Christopher's School and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University before joining many of the other young men of his generation in service to the nation during World War II; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the United States Army, John Rasnick was one of the first infantrymen to land on Omaha Beach during the D-Day invasion of Normandy, France, in 1944 and participated in the subsequent campaigns across Europe; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, John Rasnick returned to Virginia and served the Commonwealth in several capacities, including as executive director of the Compensation Board; and

WHEREAS, from 1984 to 1998, John Rasnick ably served the members of the General Assembly as the clerk for the Senate Committee on Finance; and

WHEREAS, John Rasnick also served the community as a 32nd degree Mason at Westhampton Lodge No. 302, and enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregations of First Baptist Church and Second Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife of 64 years, Lucille, and his daughter, Kathy, John Rasnick will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Marsha and John III, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of John Marshall Rasnick, Jr., a respected veteran who served the Commonwealth for more than a decade as a legislative committee clerk; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of John Marshall Rasnick, Jr., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.