2019 SESSION

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 155

Commending Bertram Aaron.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2019

WHEREAS, Bertram Aaron, a decorated veteran of World War II and generous philanthropist and patron of the arts in Williamsburg, was selected as the 2018 Citizen of the Year by the *Daily Press*; and

WHEREAS, Bertram "Bert" Aaron, a native of Newport News, graduate of Virginia Tech, and decorated military veteran who saw service in the Pacific Theater during World War II before embarking upon a career in national defense and innovative electronic work, has been an active member of the Williamsburg community for over a quarter of a century; and

WHEREAS, while Bert' Aaron is known as an active supporter of community organizations focused on education, Jewish studies, cancer research and support for cancer patients, survivors, and their families, and many other worthy causes, it was his dedicated work on behalf of the Virginia Symphony and the cause of sharing his passion for music with others for which he was honored; and

WHEREAS, a life-long lover of classical music, Bert' Aaron was instrumental in bringing other fans of classical music together to provide the support necessary to continue the Virginia Symphony's presence in Williamsburg; and

WHEREAS, Bert' Aaron also serves as a member of the board of directors of the Virginia Symphony and works with local schools to bring in professional musicians to teach and inspire students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Bertram Aaron hereby be commended on his selection as the 2018 Citizen of the Year by the *Daily Press*; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Bertram Aaron for his service to the Williamsburg community and his passionate and dedicated support for the Virginia Symphony.

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