

2019 SESSION

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 156

Commending George T. Rublein.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2019

WHEREAS, George T. Rublein, professor of mathematics at The College of William & Mary, is retiring after teaching at the college for 53 years; and

WHEREAS, George Rublein received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Illinois in 1963; three years later he began teaching at The College of William & Mary, where he remained for the rest of his career; and

WHEREAS, George Rublein's research over the past half century has focused on algebraic topology and control theory, informing our understanding of the mathematics that controls devices we use every day; and

WHEREAS, as a teacher, George Rublein has always sought to find real-life physical scenarios to demonstrate complex mathematical principles and theories to students; his famous Mathematics of Powered Flight course, affectionately referred to as the "airplane course," applies basic mathematical concepts to familiar situations involving flight and airplanes; and

WHEREAS, countless students of the Commonwealth have benefited from George Rublein's expertise over the past 53 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That George T. Rublein, professor of mathematics and beloved member of the community at The College of William & Mary, hereby be commended for his long and productive career; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to George T. Rublein as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his remarkable contributions to the Commonwealth.

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