## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 175**

Offered February 26, 2020

Celebrating the life of Raymond Joseph Klotz, Jr.

Patrons—McDougle; Delegate: Wyatt

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WHEREAS, Raymond Joseph Klotz, Jr., esteemed entrepreneur, longtime civil servant, and cherished member of the Hanover community, died on February 1, 2020; and WHEREAS, born in Richmond, Raymond "Buddy" Klotz graduated from the Virginia Polytechnic

Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) in 1961 with a degree in electrical engineering; and

WHEREAS, at Virginia Tech, Buddy Klotz was an active member of the university community, overseeing the operations of student-run WUVT radio as its news director and serving as an associate judge with the Cadet Honor Court; he also rose to the rank of commander of N Squadron with the Corps of Cadets and later served honorably with the Virginia Air National Guard for many years; and

WHEREAS, Buddy Klotz ran his own business with his wife and partner, Dorothy; he was committed to promoting a welcoming environment for businesses in his region, serving as president of the Richmond section of the Virginia Manufacturers Association, the Richmond section of the Institute of Electrical & Electronic Engineers, the Hanover Airpark Business Association, and the Hanover Business Roundtable; and

WHEREAS, Buddy Klotz gave generously of his time and talents to his community, serving on the Hanover County Board of Supervisors, the Hanover County Board of Zoning Appeals, and the Hanover County Sheriff's Citizen Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, living his life to the fullest, Buddy Klotz was an avid runner who competed in several marathons and at one point ran every day for 10 years straight; in his later years, he was happiest spending time with his grandchildren and attending their sporting events; and

WHEREAS, Buddy Klotz will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife, Dorothy; his children, Michelle and Sharon, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Raymond Joseph Klotz, Jr., a civic and business leader of Hanover County who touched the lives of many; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Raymond Joseph Klotz, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.