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## 20200341D **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 530** 1 2 3 4 5 Offered August 18, 2020 Prefiled August 18, 2020 Celebrating the life of William Russell Batten, Sr. Patron—Brewer 6 7 WHEREAS, William Russell Batten, Sr., a beloved husband, father, and grandfather who made many 8 contributions to the Smithfield community, died on July 17, 2020; and 9 WHEREAS, Russell Batten was a talented athlete in his youth, playing on the football and baseball teams at Smithfield High School: and 10 WHEREAS, Russell Batten pursued a long and fulfilling career with the Town of Smithfield and 11

served his fellow residents as superintendent of public works; and

WHEREAS, in the course of his professional duties, Russell Batten oversaw enhancements and renovations to critical infrastructure in the town; and

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WHEREAS, after his well-earned retirement, Russell Batten enjoyed playing golf and spending more time with his cherished family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Russell Batten will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 50 years, Emily; his children, Lori, Bill, and Brent, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of William Russell Batten, Sr., a highly admired member of the Smithfield 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 William Russell Batten, Sr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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