## **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 528**

Celebrating the life of Ralph Essex Turpin, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, September 2, 2020

WHEREAS, Ralph Essex Turpin, Jr., a prominent attorney who made many contributions to the Lovingston community, died on May 9, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Turpin attended Virginia Military Institute, then transferred to the University of Virginia, where he completed his bachelor's degree in 1963; and

WHEREAS, while working as a chemist in New Jersey, Ralph Turpin earned a legal degree by taking night classes at Seton Hall University; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Turpin returned to the Commonwealth and practiced law from his home in Lovingston for nearly 50 years; during that period, he also offered his expertise to the community as the Nelson County attorney for the Commonwealth for 12 years and as a substitute judge; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Turpin was an active volunteer with the local Ruritan Club, the Fleetwood Harmony Masonic Lodge, and the Nelson County Community Development Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Turpin enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community at Calvary Baptist Church, where he was a member of the choir, a deacon, and a trustee; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Turpin will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his beloved wife, Patty Ann; his children, Margaret Ann and R.E., 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 Ralph Essex Turpin, Jr., a respected attorney in Lovingston; and, be it

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