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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 664**

Offered January 30, 2021

Commending the Honorable James S. Yoffy.

Patrons—VanValkenburg and Adams, D.M.

WHEREAS, the Honorable James S. Yoffy, Chief Judge of the Henrico Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit of Virginia, who has ably served the residents of the County of Henrico and the Commonwealth for more than 40 years as an attorney, an assistant attorney for the Commonwealth, and a judge, will retire in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Judge Yoffy holds degrees from The College of William & Mary in Virginia and the T.C. Williams School of Law at the University of Richmond and has served his country as a member of the United States Army Reserve at Fort Dix; and

WHEREAS, Judge Yoffy served as an assistant attorney for the Commonwealth in the City of Richmond for four years and practiced criminal law for over 30 years throughout the Commonwealth; he served six years on the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Judge Yoffy was appointed as a judge of the Henrico General District Court of the 14th Judicial District and six years later was appointed as a judge of the Henrico Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit, presiding over both courts with great fairness, wisdom, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Judge Yoffy has served the Commonwealth with the utmost dedication and, upon his retirement, plans to continue serving the Commonwealth as a recall judge; and

WHEREAS, after his well-earned retirement, Judge Yoffy plans to spend more time with his dear wife, Katy; his daughter, Jennifer; and his grandchildren, Jonah, Lila, and Sabine; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Honorable James S. Yoffy, Chief Judge of the Henrico Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit of Virginia, on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable James S. Yoffy as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his years of service to the Commonwealth.