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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 330

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*Celebrating the life of Robert Emmett Mannion, Sr.*

Patron—Petersen

WHEREAS, Robert Emmett Mannion, Sr., an esteemed attorney who was an active and beloved member of the Northern Virginia community, died on December 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Mount Carmel High School in Chicago, Robert "Bob" Mannion earned a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University and a juris doctor degree from Catholic University; and

WHEREAS, to support himself through college and law school, Bob Mannion worked on Capitol Hill in the offices of Senators Hubert Humphrey and Walter F. Mondale, acquiring invaluable experience that would guide him on the path to success; and

WHEREAS, Bob Mannion began his distinguished legal career with a 13-year tenure at the Federal Reserve, where he helped the institution navigate the economic downturn of the 1970s and rose to the position of deputy general counsel; and

WHEREAS, Bob Mannion went into private practice in 1983, joining the law firm of Arnold & Porter as a lateral partner; over his 27 years with the firm, he earned a reputation not only for his expertise in national and international banking laws and regulations and his ability to handle the most difficult and complex cases, but for his warm and respectful demeanor toward fellow partners, associates, and staff; and

WHEREAS, with great passion for the effective and responsible practice of law, Bob Mannion authored several influential books and journal articles on banking law and guided generations of future attorneys as an adjunct professor at Catholic University; and

WHEREAS, Bob Mannion lived his Catholic faith through his actions and inspired others through his humility and unfailing kindness; he played a role in the establishment of a youth retreat program at St. Paul VI Catholic High School when it was located in the City of Fairfax and offered his leadership and expertise to various local boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, Bob Mannion gave generously of his time and talents to his community; he offered his legal expertise pro bono as a guardian ad litem, served on various professional boards and commissions, and was highly involved with his local homeowners' association; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by his sons, Dennis and Kevin, and daughter, Colleen, Bob Mannion will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife of 51 years, Sally; his children, Robert, Jr., and Kerry, 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 Robert Emmett Mannion, Sr., an accomplished attorney who touched countless lives through his kindness, optimism, and unwavering faith; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Robert Emmett Mannion, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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