

2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 702

Celebrating the life of George B. Vaughan.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021
Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

WHEREAS, George B. Vaughan, a distinguished leader in community college administration and a longtime president of Piedmont Virginia Community College, died on January 7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, George Vaughan grew up in Grayson County and graduated from Fries High School; he continued his education at Emory & Henry College, Radford University, and Florida State University, developing a passion for lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, George Vaughan served as the founding president of Mountain Empire Community College in Big Stone Gap before leading Piedmont Virginia Community College as president of the institution from 1977 to 1988; and

WHEREAS, George Vaughan served on the board of the American Association of Community Colleges and earned national accolades as one of the most effective community college presidents in the United States; his visionary curricula influenced many leadership programs in his profession; and

WHEREAS, George Vaughan authored or edited numerous books and wrote more than 100 articles on community college systems and was the editor of the *Community College Review* professional journal for more than a decade; his insights helped community college educators and administrators across the nation realize their fullest potential; and

WHEREAS, after his tenure as president of Piedmont Virginia Community College, George Vaughan worked as a professor at George Mason University, the University of Florida, and North Carolina State University, then relocated to Charlottesville after his well-earned retirement; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Virginia Community College System honored George Vaughan's legacy of excellence with the creation of the George B. Vaughan Leadership Award, which recognizes outstanding adjunct community college faculty members in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, George Vaughan will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by numerous family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of George B. Vaughan, a distinguished president of Piedmont Virginia Community College; 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 George B. Vaughan as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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