## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 757**

Celebrating the life of George S. Genakos.

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

WHEREAS, George S. Genakos, a former member of the Williamsburg City Council who was dedicated to improving his community, died on December 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, born in Lowell, Massachusetts, George Genakos served his country as an officer in the United States Air Force and later became an independent contractor for the Department of Defense; in 1975, George Genakos and his family moved to Williamsburg; and

WHEREAS, desiring to better serve his community, George Genakos ran for and was elected to the Williamsburg City Council in 1986, 1992, and 1996, winning the most votes of any candidate in each election and becoming the city's first elected Greek American; he would go on to serve 12 years in total; and

WHEREAS, known for his generous friendship, sound advice, and honesty, George Genakos' service extended beyond politics, as he co-founded the Williamsburg Salvation Army, YMCA, Youth Leadership Council, and Senior Advisory Group; served as president of the Jabbo Kenner Boxing Club and the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association; and served as a member of the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, National Exchange Club, Masonic Order, Drug Drop Out Advisory Council, and the Youth Task Force; and

WHEREAS, George Genakos will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Jean; his children, Mary, Anthony, and Stephen, and their families; and numerous other 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 S. Genakos, a former member of the Williamsburg City Council dedicated to improving his 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 George S. Genakos as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.