

2021 SPECIAL SESSION II

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 830

Commending John Dooley.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, August 5, 2021

WHEREAS, in 2021, John Dooley retired as chief executive officer of the Virginia Tech Foundation after more than 40 years of outstanding service to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; and

WHEREAS, John Dooley spent his entire professional career in higher education, initially working as a public information officer and a fundraiser for his alma mater, Alderson Broaddus University in West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, John Dooley had been active with the 4-H organization since his youth and joined Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) as director of the institution's new Northern Virginia 4-H Center in 1982; and

WHEREAS, as director of the Northern Virginia 4-H Center, John Dooley launched innovative programs, such as Camp Fantastic to support children who have been diagnosed with cancer, and he subsequently became the executive director of the Virginia 4-H Foundation; and

WHEREAS, John Dooley served as an associate provost for outreach and vice president of outreach and international affairs at Virginia Tech before becoming the chief executive officer of the Virginia Tech Foundation; and

WHEREAS, during John Dooley's tenure as chief executive officer of the Virginia Tech Foundation, the endowment more than doubled and the foundation's total assets, including property, increased by approximately \$1 billion; he oversaw a significant growth in the total real estate managed by the foundation, now nearly two million square feet; and

WHEREAS, John Dooley promoted economic development throughout the region and developed many lasting friendships and partnerships around the world while working on behalf of Virginia Tech; his achievements have benefited students, faculty, staff members, and the wider community alike; and

WHEREAS, John Dooley helped Virginia Tech fulfill its mission as a land-grant university and embodies Virginia Tech's traditions of and commitment to exceptional community service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That John Dooley hereby be commended on the occasion of his retirement as chief executive officer of the Virginia Tech Foundation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to John Dooley as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his personal and professional achievements.

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