

2021 SPECIAL SESSION II

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 717

Commending Bob Corso.

Agreed to by the Senate, August 5, 2021

WHEREAS, Bob Corso, esteemed anchor at WHSV-TV in Harrisonburg, whose nightly broadcasts were a staple of Shenandoah Valley community life for many years, retired on March 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a native of Alexandria with a business degree from The College of William and Mary, Bob Corso began his career as a menswear sales representative before broadcasting courses at Arizona State University helped him discover his true calling; and

WHEREAS, Bob Corso embarked upon his illustrious career in broadcast journalism as a producer at KAET, the Public Broadcasting Service affiliate in Phoenix, and later joined WHSV-TV in 1988, where he would be a mainstay for the remainder of his career; and

WHEREAS, Bob Corso supported WHSV-TV in various capacities over the years, serving at different times as a reporter, producer, assignment desk editor, news anchor, weather anchor, and sportscaster; and

WHEREAS, for the past two decades, Bob Corso was lead anchor for WHSV-TV's 6:00 p.m. newscast, becoming a regular and cherished fixture on television sets across the Shenandoah Valley; and

WHEREAS, since 2006, Bob Corso produced and hosted WHSV-TV's popular "One-on-One" interview segments, holding more than 3,000 discussions with politicians, experts, newsmakers, and others to bring the myriad stories of the Shenandoah Valley community to the attention of countless viewers; and

WHEREAS, Bob Corso's annual segments at the Rockingham County Fair, in which he playfully explored the different events and vendors the fair had to offer, endeared him to viewers by bringing a touch of levity to the regular news broadcasts; and

WHEREAS, Bob Corso's legacy at WHSV-TV also includes the mentorship and support he generously provided to numerous colleagues to encourage and guide them in their own careers; and

WHEREAS, through a tireless dedication to his craft and a steadfast commitment to ensuring his audience was both entertained and well-informed, Bob Corso helped to make Harrisonburg and the surrounding areas a wonderful place to live, work, and play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Bob Corso, beloved anchor of WHSV-TV in Harrisonburg, hereby be commended on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Bob Corso as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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