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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 207

Offered February 9, 2022

Commending the Honorable George D. Varoutsos.

Patrons—Hope; Senators: Ebbin, Favola, Howell, Saslaw and Surovell

WHEREAS, the Honorable George D. Varoutsos retired as a judge of the Arlington Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a proud native of Arlington, George Varoutsos graduated from Yorktown High School and subsequently earned a bachelor's degree and a law degree from the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, George Varoutsos served as a clerk for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, then practiced law in Arlington for more than two decades; and

WHEREAS, George Varoutsos was first appointed as a substitute judge in 1986 and was selected as a judge of the Arlington Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court in 1998; and

WHEREAS, George Varoutsos touched countless lives in the Arlington community through his commitment to service and visionary leadership; he played a critical role in the establishment of Project Peace, the Arlington Court Appointed Special Advocate program, the Safe Havens Visitation and Exchange Program, and the National Center for Family Law; and

WHEREAS, George Varoutsos served as an executive committee member of the Judicial Conference of Virginia for District Courts from March 2001 to 2005 and a member of the Commission on Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program from 2002 to 2022; and

WHEREAS, among his many awards and accolades, George Varoutsos received the Alumni Award for Distinguished Service from the University of Richmond, the Distinguished Service Award from the Arlington Bar Association, the Spirit of Community Award from the Arlington Community Foundation, and the William L. Winston Award from the Arlington Bar Foundation; and

WHEREAS, outside of his career, George Varoutsos was a passionate football fan and had proudly attended 32 Super Bowls; and

WHEREAS, after his well-earned retirement, George Varoutsos looks forward to traveling and spending more time with his beloved family as well as finding new opportunities to serve the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Honorable George D. Varoutsos on the occasion of his retirement as a judge of the 17th Judicial District of Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable George D. Varoutsos as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his outstanding service to the residents of Arlington County and the Commonwealth.

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