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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 78

Offered January 27, 2022

Commending William C. Chase, Jr.

Patrons—Reeves, Boysko, Chase, Edwards, Hanger, Howell, Ruff, Spruill and Stuart; Delegates: Adams, D.M., Avoli, Convirs-Fowler, Davis, Maldonado, Morefield, Rasoul, Reid, Scott, P.A., Ware and Williams

WHEREAS, for 40 years, William C. Chase, Jr., has served his community with extraordinary commitment, leadership, and integrity as a member of the Culpeper County Board of Supervisors since 1982; and

WHEREAS, a distinguished veteran, William "Bill" Chase served his country during the Vietnam War as an officer in the United States Army Rangers, earning four Bronze Star Medals, nine Army Air Medals, the Purple Heart, and the Army Commendation Medal, among other awards and decorations; and

WHEREAS, Bill Chase graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point and the University of Virginia; he served as president of Potts Run Coal Company and has enjoyed a long and fulfilling career as a farmer; and

WHEREAS, Bill Chase first began working with Culpeper County as a member of the Culpeper County Planning Commission, serving for seven years, including three years as chair of the commission; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to his fellow Culpeper residents, Bill Chase ran for and was elected to the Culpeper County Board of Supervisors, and he has represented the Stevensburg District for 10 consecutive four-year terms since 1982; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his visionary leadership and genuine dedication to the well-being of all Culpeper County residents, Bill Chase was elected as chair of the Culpeper County Board of Supervisors from 1984 to 1988, 2008 to 2009, 2011 to 2012, and 2018 to 2019; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure on the Culpeper County Board of Supervisors, Bill Chase has offered his leadership and expertise to the Public Safety Committee, the E-911 Board, the Museum Board, the Disability Services Committee, and the Airport Committee; and

WHEREAS, Bill Chase enjoys fellowship and worship with the congregation of Mitchells Presbyterian Church, where he serves as an elder and a past trustee, and has generously volunteered his time with numerous other civic and service organizations; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Bill Chase was supported and encouraged by his beloved family, including his late wife, Judy; their four children, William, Jane, Elizabeth, and Kerr; their grandchildren; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend William C. Chase, Jr., a pillar of the Culpeper County community, for his 40 years of service as a local elected official; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to William C. Chase, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his achievements on behalf of the residents of Culpeper County.