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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 649

Offered May 20, 2022

Celebrating the life of James Calvin Francisco, Jr.

Patron—Knight

WHEREAS, James Calvin Francisco, Jr., honorable veteran, accomplished real estate agent, esteemed public servant, and beloved member of the New Kent County community, died on April 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Christiansburg High School and attending Emory & Henry College, James "Jimmie" Calvin Francisco, Jr., served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Francisco later protected and served citizens of the Commonwealth as an officer with the Virginia State Police before embarking on a remarkable career in real estate in New Kent County that would span more than 60 years; and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Francisco was the owner and principal broker of Francisco Real Estate for many years and remained an integral part of the business after transferring ownership to Paul Robinson in 1993; and

WHEREAS, over his 16 years on the New Kent County Board of Supervisors, Jimmie Francisco admirably represented the interests of his constituents while serving as the board's appointee to the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Francisco gave generously of his time to the community, serving on and chairing the New Kent County Social Services Board and maintaining membership with the Providence Forge Ruritan Club; and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Francisco's outsized impact on the New Kent County community was felt through his role in the formation of the Quinton Volunteer Fire & EMS and the Quinton Community Center; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his faith, Jimmie Francisco was a lifelong member of Providence United Methodist Church in Quinton, where he served in various capacities, including as chairman of the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by his loving wife of 60 years, Shirley, Jimmie Francisco will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his children, James III and Alice Ann, and their families and by numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of James Calvin Francisco, Jr., a cherished member of the New Kent County community whose kind and radiant spirit touched countless lives; 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 James Calvin Francisco, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.