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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 600

Offered January 30, 2023

Commending Jim Hudson.

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Patrons—Hodges and Wyatt; Senators: McDougle, Norment and Stuart

WHEREAS, Jim Hudson is a proud member of the West Point community who has served in local government for nearly four decades, including a distinguished 16-year tenure as mayor; and

WHEREAS, a native of Halifax, Jim Hudson settled in West Point and began practicing law with the firm Sutton and Causey in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Jim Hudson served as town attorney of West Point from 1984 to 1998, during which time he helped Middle Peninsula Regional Airport expand its facilities and achieve its designation as a regional airport, updated the town building code, worked to make Beach Park a public beach, and oversaw improvements to local roadways; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service, Jim Hudson was elected to the West Point Town Council in 1998 and was reelected in 2002, serving through June 2006; he served as chair of the council's Community Development Committee and chair of the Education Committee, and he represented the council before the West Point Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jim Hudson was elected by his peers on the West Point Town Council to serve as vice mayor from July 2005 to June 2006, and he was elected as mayor in July 2006; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as mayor, Jim Hudson enhanced communication and fostered cooperation between his fellow members of the West Point Town Council; and

WHEREAS, among his major accomplishments as mayor, Jim Hudson implemented the split levy school tax agreement between King William County and West Point, oversaw the West Point town officials' move to new offices, and helped the community endure the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Jim Hudson did not seek reelection as mayor in 2022, but plans to continue serving the community as an attorney and develop new opportunities to enhance the quality of life in West Point; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Jim Hudson for his outstanding service as mayor of West Point; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jim Hudson as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his achievements in service to the residents of West Point.