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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 248

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*Celebrating the life of Gregory Lee Kees.*

Patrons—Saslaw, Barker, Boysko, Deeds, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Hashmi, Howell, Locke, McClellan, McPike, Norment, Ruff, Spruill, Surovell and Vogel; Delegates: Adams, D.M., Clark, Glass, Hope, Jenkins, Kory, Maldonado, Rasoul, Shin, Sickles, Simonds, Ware and Watts

WHEREAS, Gregory Lee Kees, a dedicated law-enforcement officer and beloved husband and father, died on September 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Gregory "Greg" Kees grew up in West Virginia, where he graduated from Cedar Grove High School and earned an undergraduate degree from West Virginia State University; and

WHEREAS, Greg Kees joined the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office in Charleston, West Virginia, and served the community as a deputy sheriff for more than 12 years, rising to the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Greg Kees subsequently worked as an insurance fraud and arson investigator, leading special investigation teams in West Virginia, Florida, and Alabama, then retired as a staff coordinator for Northside Medical Associates in Pell City, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, outside of his career, Greg Kees volunteered his time and leadership to support young people as the district chair of the Buckskin Council of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, the greatest joy in Greg Kees's life was his beloved family, and he relished every opportunity to impart his wisdom to his children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Greg Kees will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 52 years, Rebecca; his children, April and Scot, and their families; 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 note with great sadness the loss of Gregory Lee Kees; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Gregory Lee Kees as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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