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Offered February 6, 2024

Celebrating the life of Barnabas Stiltner.

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WHEREAS, Barnabas Stiltner, an honorable veteran, esteemed law-enforcement officer, and beloved member of the Grundy community, died on January 11, 2024; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Buchanan County, Barnabas "Barney" Stiltner served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Barney Stiltner worked tirelessly to ensure the safety and protection of his community for 34 years as an officer with the Grundy Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Barney Stiltner was an accomplished musician and singer who regularly played shows on Saturday nights to the delight of his audiences and fans; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his faith, Barney Stiltner was a devoted member of the Grundy Bible Church, where he enjoyed worship and fellowship with his community; and

WHEREAS, Barney Stiltner was happiest when spending time with his family, especially his grandsons, Jacob and Odin; and

WHEREAS, Barney Stiltner will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife of 40 years, Mary Ellen; his daughter, Marilyn, and her family; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of Barnabas Stiltner, a cherished member of the Grundy community whose service and dedication were an inspiration to all who knew him; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Barnabas Stiltner as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.