

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 134

Offered February 6, 1996

Commending Jack Hodge.

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Consent to introduce

WHEREAS, on February 29, 1996, Jack Hodge will retire as chief engineer for the Virginia Department of Transportation, thus ending a remarkable career of nearly 40 years; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Virginia, Jack Hodge joined VDOT in 1957 as an assistant resident engineer, then worked his way through a series of increasingly responsible positions until his appointment as chief engineer in 1988; and

WHEREAS, during Jack Hodge's tenure at VDOT, he coped with the effects of great natural calamities, from the Blizzard of 1961 to the Blizzard of 1996, from Hurricane Camille in 1969 to the ice storm of 1994; and

WHEREAS, with his steadfast dedication to VDOT and to the people of Virginia, Jack Hodge served both with great skill and devotion, shepherding huge transportation projects to completion and planning for the transportation needs of the next millennium; and

WHEREAS, during his long career, Jack Hodge has been cited frequently for his many contributions to better transportation in Virginia, including receiving the prestigious Crozet Award for his outstanding contributions to engineering public service; and

WHEREAS, over nearly four decades, Jack Hodge devoted enormous energy to VDOT and the people it serves, and he leaves an enviable record of accomplishment, of professionalism, and of dedicated public service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly commend Jack Hodge for his stellar career of public service with the Virginia Department of Transportation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jack Hodge as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his invaluable service and best wishes for a long and fulfilling retirement.