HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 479

Offered January 15, 1997

On the death of Dr. Gerald N. Weitzman.

Patrons—Moore and Melvin; Senators: Lucas and Quayle

WHEREAS, Dr. Gerald N. Weitzman, a prominent Portsmouth surgeon and former chief executive officer of Portsmouth Orthopaedic Associates, Inc., died on September 20, 1996; and

WHEREAS, a native of Philadelphia, Dr. Weitzman built an international reputation as an orthopaedic surgeon, well-known for his research and teaching activities; and

WHEREAS, his skill and reputation as a surgeon brought patients from throughout the eastern United States to Portsmouth for treatment by Dr. Weitzman; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Weitzman was an active member of many professional organizations, including the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the American College of Surgeons, and the Virginia Medical Society; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his duties at Portsmouth Orthopaedic Associates, Dr. Weitzman served as president of the Hampton Roads Orthopaedic Society, chief of surgery at Maryview Hospital, and president of the medical staff at Portsmouth General Hospital; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished and highly respected physician, Dr. Gerald Weitzman leaves an enduring legacy of service to his patients, the medical profession, his community, and the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with sadness the passing of Dr. Gerald N. Weitzman; 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 Dr. Gerald N. Weitzman as an expression of the high regard of the General Assembly for his life of service and professional achievement.