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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 129**

Offered January 23, 1998

On the death of Robert H. Callis, Jr.

Patrons—Croshaw, Drake, Jones, J.C., McDonnell, Purkey, Tata, Wagner and Wardrup; Senators: Forbes, Miller, Y.B., Schrock and Stolle

WHEREAS, Robert H. "Bob" Callis, Jr., a longtime resident of the City of Virginia Beach, died on December 30, 1997; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Virginia Pilots Association for over 40 years and former vice
president of that organization, as a member of the board for Branch Pilots—Commonwealth of Virginia,
and as a member of the Propeller Club—Port of Norfolk, Bob Callis was known as a wonderful leader,
a fair arbiter, and a knowledgeable businessman; and

WHEREAS, Bob Callis served the citizens of the Commonwealth with integrity, honor, and great
business acumen as a member of the board of directors of the Virginia Resources Authority since its
inception in 1984, serving as vice chairman from December 1987 until his death; and

17 WHEREAS, Bob Callis was a member of the Governor's Council on Transportation and a member of18 the board of directors of the Jamestown-Yorktown Educational Trust; and

WHEREAS, Bob Callis was known in the Tidewater community for his sagacity, leadership, and
fairness in his service as vice chairman of the Virginia Beach School Board and as a member of the
Virginia Beach City Council, the Eastern Virginia Medical School Advisory Board, and the boards of
directors of Tidewater Health Care, Virginia Federal Savings and Loan, Virginia Beach and Portsmouth
General Hospitals, and the Virginia Beach Foundation; and

WHEREÂS, Bob Callis demonstrated great leadership, empathy, and kindness as a member of the
 Galilee Episcopal Church, serving on the vestry as junior and senior warden; and

WHEREAS, Bob Callis also served as chairman of United Way Hampton Roads, as a member of the
boards of directors of the Contemporary Center for the Arts and Judeo-Christian Outreach, as past
chairman of the Francis Land House, and as former president of the Order of Cape Henry; and

WHEREAS, a man renowned as a great conversationalist and friend for his kindness, loyalty, and integrity, Robert H. Callis, Jr., will be sorely missed by the residents of Virginia Beach and citizens throughout the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with
 great sadness the passing of a fine Virginian, Robert H. Callis, Jr.; 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 Robert H. Callis, Jr., as an expression of the esteem in which his
memory is held by the members of the General Assembly and the citizens of the Commonwealth.

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