

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 775

Commending Jerry Geisler.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 24, 2003
Agreed to by the Senate, January 30, 2003

WHEREAS, Jerry Geisler served as a member of the General Assembly for 16 years, from 1965 to 1981, including seven years as minority leader in the House of Delegates; and

WHEREAS, a native of Big Stone Gap, Jerry Geisler was educated at Emory & Henry College and the T. C. Williams School of Law at the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, nominated to run for the House of Delegates in 1965, Jerry Geisler defeated Hillsville Mayor Raleigh Cooley by 576 votes and represented the citizens of Montgomery, Carroll, and Floyd Counties and the City of Radford until 1981; and

WHEREAS, chosen minority leader in 1974, Jerry Geisler won appointment to the Privileges and Elections, Rules, and Appropriations Committees at a time when Republicans rarely exerted such influence; and

WHEREAS, a skillful legislator, Jerry Geisler cosponsored appropriations bills that led to significant construction at Virginia Tech and Radford University; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Geisler introduced the appropriations bill that led to the construction of a new animal science building and facilities for the Virginia-Maryland Regional School of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech and the Donald N. Dedmon Center at Radford University; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure in the General Assembly, Jerry Geisler worked with the Democratic leadership and with governors of both parties to effectively represent the citizens of the 12th House District; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Jerry Geisler for his distinguished service in the General Assembly of Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jerry Geisler as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation and best wishes.

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