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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 374

Offered March 2, 2010

Celebrating the life of Orvin Herman Kiser, Sr.

Patrons—Landes, Bell, Richard P. and Cline; Senator: Hanger

WHEREAS, Orvin Herman Kiser, Sr., of Stuarts Draft, a respected citizen and outstanding community supporter, died on March 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, a native of Stuarts Draft, Orvin Herman Kiser, Sr., called Big Daddy or Big "O" by his close friends and family, was born on May 17, 1932, the son of the late Marvin Turner Kiser and Edna Campbell Kiser and brother to the late Roy D. Kiser, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, an American patriot, Orvin Kiser bravely served his country in the United States Air Force for eight years; and

WHEREAS, an exemplary employee with a strong work ethic, Orvin Kiser joined DuPont and retired after 32 years of loyal service; and

WHEREAS, a role model, mentor, and great supporter of young people, Orvin Kiser helped establish little league football in Stuarts Draft in 1960, and he was instrumental in expanding the program and developing Stuarts Draft Park and the Diamond Club sports field; and

WHEREAS, Orvin Kiser served eight years on the County Board of Supervisors as the South River District representative and was elected vice-chair in 2000 and chair in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Orvin Kiser generously gave his time and expertise to many civic organizations over the years, including as a master mason at the Lee Lodge in Waynesboro and as a member and president of the Stuarts Draft Ruritan Club, the Sportsman Club, and the Booster Club; and

WHEREAS, always willing to help his fellow residents in need, Orvin Kiser received many awards and accolades for his numerous contributions to his community, such as the District and Zone Ruritan of the Year awards; and

WHEREAS, Orvin Kiser was a founding and dedicated member of Waynesboro Mennonite Church and active in the church's many missions in the community; he was the longtime Sunday school teacher of the Open Door Class; and

WHEREAS, Orvin Kiser will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 56 years, Phyllis Kiser; his children and their spouses, Orvin H. Kiser, Jr., Ronald E. Kiser and his wife Ladonna Coulter, Teri Kiser Fust and her husband John, and daughter-in-law, Barbara Kiser; his grandchildren, Joey, Mandy, Karman, Heather, Trip, Whitney, Forest, Jackson, and Jordan; and his good friends and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly mourn the passing of an outstanding Virginian, Orvin Herman Kiser, Sr.; 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 Orvin Herman Kiser, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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