2011 SPECIAL SESSION I

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5004

Celebrating the life of Philip M. Keating.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, April 6, 2011 Agreed to by the Senate, April 7, 2011

WHEREAS, Philip M. Keating, a true pillar of the Arlington County community, husband, father, lawyer, and volunteer, died suddenly on January 18, 2011, at the age of 51; and

WHEREAS, Philip "Phil" Keating, born in the Bronx, New York, grew up in Somerset, New Jersey; graduated from Rutgers University, where he was honored as a "Loyal Son" in 1999; and received a law degree with honors from The George Washington University in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Phil Keating married Erin Devine in 1986 and had three children, Kathleen, Patrick, and Caroline whom he supported, coached, and loved; he was heavily involved in their school and extracurricular activities and passed on his love of God, family, and community to them; and

WHEREAS, Phil Keating coached his children's soccer and basketball youth teams, was a former president of the Arlington Travel Soccer Club, current president of the Arlington Pride girls' basketball league, and an active member of the Jamestown Elementary School, Williamsburg Middle School, and Yorktown High School Parent Teacher Associations; and

WHEREAS, as a partner with the Arlington law firm of Bean, Kinney & Korman, PC, Phil Keating worked primarily in the areas of labor and employment and immigration law, was named as one of "Virginia's Legal Elite" by *Virginia Business* magazine in December 2010, and was a member of many legal and professional associations; and

WHEREAS, as an active member of the business and civic community, Phil Keating was the 2010 Chairman of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce; past chair of the Chamber's Government and Legislative Affairs Committee; an active participant in local, state, and federal campaigns and elections; a member of the Arlington Community Energy and Sustainability Task Force; on the board of directors of the Northern Virginia Transportation Alliance; a former member of Leadership Alexandria; and past president of the DC Chapter of Rutgers Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, as a parishioner of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Arlington, Phil Keating was devoted to the Church's teaching on social justice and peace and, as cofounder of the Borromeo Legal Project, he recruited other attorneys to do professional pro bono work to help new Americans become United States citizens; and

WHEREAS, a man of many accomplishments, Phil Keating touched the lives of countless individuals during his life and inspired many to become involved in and appreciate the civic and community life in Arlington County; and

WHEREAS, Phil Keating will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his beloved wife, Erin Devine; children, Kathleen, Patrick, and Caroline; his dear sisters, Patricia and Ellen, and brother, Michael, and their families; other extended family members; and numerous friends and admirers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of a respected citizen of the Commonwealth, Philip M. Keating; 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 Philip M. Keating as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.