

2011 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5068

Celebrating the life of Beverley Wilkes Armstrong.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, July 29, 2011

Agreed to by the Senate, July 29, 2011

WHEREAS, Beverley Wilkes Armstrong, one of Richmond's leading businessmen who made an indelible imprint on the city and surrounding area through his generous involvement in the community, died on June 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, a native of Arlington County, Beverley "Booty" Armstrong earned his nickname while a kicker on the Wakefield High School football team before receiving bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, after living briefly in Charlotte, North Carolina, Booty Armstrong decided to make Richmond his home and became actively involved in business and civic life; and

WHEREAS, an admired leader, Booty Armstrong served as president of MLB Corporation, chief financial officer of Southern States Cooperative, and vice president and treasurer of Wheat First Securities; and

WHEREAS, from 1988 to 1990, Booty Armstrong served as president of AMF Worldwide Bowling Centers, Inc.; after he and his partner sold the company, they used the profits to start several charitable foundations that continue to make an impact in the community; and

WHEREAS, a brilliant businessman, Booty Armstrong made substantial contributions to the tourism industry and business community in the area as vice-chairman of CCA Industries, which owns The Jefferson Hotel in addition to the West Creek business park in Goochland County; and

WHEREAS, as chair of the Capital Region Airport Commission, Booty Armstrong played a key role in the modernization of the passenger terminal facilities at Richmond International Airport, which provide the first impression of Virginia's Capital City to visitors; and

WHEREAS, respected and admired for his expertise and insight, Booty Armstrong served on several corporate boards; he also supported his alma mater through his service on the board of trustees of the Darden School Foundation and The College Foundation; and

WHEREAS, as chair, treasurer, and member of the board of trustees for The Community Foundation, Booty Armstrong worked with great enthusiasm and compassion to provide worthy local organizations with needed assistance; and

WHEREAS, in addition to service with numerous other community organizations, Booty Armstrong was also a member of the vestry of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Booty Armstrong received numerous awards and accolades throughout his life for his extraordinary service, including induction into the Greater Richmond Business Hall of Fame and the Science Museum of Virginia's Lifetime Achievement in Industry award; and

WHEREAS, decades ago, Booty Armstrong came to Richmond and over the years, enthusiastically devoted countless hours to serving his fellow residents and in the process, shaped the growth and development of the area; and

WHEREAS, a man of tremendous heart and intellect, Booty Armstrong will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his family, friends, business and community associates, and residents of the greater Richmond area; 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 an outstanding citizen of the Commonwealth, Beverley Wilkes Armstrong; 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 Beverley Wilkes Armstrong as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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