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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 432**

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Celebrating the life of Andrew Haliday McCutcheon, Jr.

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WHEREAS, Andrew Haliday McCutcheon, Jr., who provided Richmond sports fans with the latest news before serving as executive assistant to two Congressmen and pursuing a successful corporate career, died on February 12, 2012; and

WHEREAS, a native of West Virginia, Andrew McCutcheon graduated from Stonewall Jackson High School and attended the University of Tennessee, where he played on the football team that went to the 1945 Rose Bowl; and

WHEREAS, Andrew McCutcheon interrupted his studies to proudly serve his country in the United States Navy during World War II, then went on to complete his bachelor's degree at Washington and Lee University; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation, Andrew McCutcheon went to work for the *Richmond News Leader* as a sports writer, covering University of Richmond sports teams and the city's AAA baseball franchise; and

WHEREAS, an outstanding writer, Andrew McCutcheon authored several sports articles that were included in national publications and served as president of the Southern Conference Sports Writers Association; and

WHEREAS, after spending several years as a successful sports writer, Andrew McCutcheon decided to pursue his other passion, politics, and moved to Washington, D.C., serving as executive assistant to Congressmen J. Vaughan Gary and David E. Satterfield and then as special assistant for Congressional Relations at the Office of Economic Opportunity; and

WHEREAS, after a run for office himself, Andrew McCutcheon entered corporate life at Reynolds Metals Co., taking a year off to manage the successful campaign of J. Sargeant Reynolds, Sr., for lieutenant governor of Virginia; he later co-authored a book about the lieutenant governor's career; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated employee, Andrew McCutcheon spent more than two decades at Reynolds Metals Co., heading the government relations department and ably serving in various roles until his retirement as vice president and national marketing manager of the Reynolds Aluminum Recycling Company; and

WHEREAS, Andrew McCutcheon remained committed to public and community service, serving as chair of the Henrico County Democratic Committee; chair of the board of directors of the Library of Virginia, Tuckahoe YMCA, and YMCA of Greater Richmond; and member of the board of directors for the J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Andrew McCutcheon also served on the screening committee of the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame, on Washington and Lee University's Communication Advisory Committee and Planning Committee for its 250th anniversary, and as a faithful member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Andrew McCutcheon made countless contributions to his community and country throughout his life, embodying the ideals of an involved citizen; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Andrew McCutcheon will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Charlotte; daughter, Sallie, and her family, including granddaughters, Katie and Julie; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 admired citizen of the Commonwealth, Andrew Haliday McCutcheon, 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 Andrew Haliday McCutcheon, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.