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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 483

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Celebrating the life of Herbert W. Guthrie.

Patrons—Edmunds; Senator: Ruff

WHEREAS, Herbert W. Guthrie, a lifelong promoter and advocate for the Town of Brookneal and a supporter of many civic efforts, departed this life on February 14, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Herbert Guthrie proudly served in the United States Army during World War II as a supply staff sergeant in the Medical Corps; he returned to his native Brookneal after the war and became a businessman, opening Guthrie's Corner Market; and

WHEREAS, a staunch supporter of the Brookneal community, Herbert Guthrie was a charter member of the Brookneal Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., and the Brookneal Lions Club, and he encouraged economic development as a member of the Brookneal Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, from its opening, Herbert Guthrie was chairman of the board of directors of First Virginia Bank Piedmont for 22 years, and he also served on the Campbell County Economic Development Council; those who knew him praised his sound judgment and ability to solve problems; and

WHEREAS, in 1966 Herbert Guthrie established the firm of Herbert W. Guthrie Real Estate, Inc.; he was a member of the Piedmont Jobs Council and played a key role in bringing a nursing home to Brookneal; and

WHEREAS, a man of strong faith, Herbert Guthrie was a lifelong member of Brookneal Baptist Church; in addition to singing in the sanctuary choir, he was a deacon and trustee and served on several committees; and

WHEREAS, Herbert Guthrie will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by Iris, his wife of 63 years; by his daughter, Debra, and her family; and by many other family members, friends, and neighbors; 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 tireless supporter of the Town of Brookneal and an esteemed citizen of the Commonwealth, Herbert W. Guthrie; 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 Herbert W. Guthrie as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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