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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 306**

Offered February 12, 2014

Celebrating the life of Thomas H. Wilson.

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Patrons—Villanueva, Davis, DeSteph, Knight, Stolle and Taylor; Senators: Cosgrove, McWaters and Wagner

WHEREAS, Thomas H. Wilson, a respected businessman, beloved husband and father, and active leader in the Virginia Beach community, died on June 19, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Virginia Beach, Thomas "Tom" Wilson graduated with honors from the University of Virginia and was a proud alumnus of the school for the rest of his life; and

WHEREAS, Tom Wilson embarked upon a highly successful 40-year career with Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP, a certified public accounting (CPA) firm; as chief operating officer, he helped the company become the largest CPA firm in the southern United States; and

WHEREAS, a firm believer in the importance of education, Tom Wilson offered his leadership expertise as the chair of the Tidewater Community College Board, treasurer of the Virginia Beach Library Foundation, president of the Virginia Beach Education Foundation, and member of the Cosmopolitan Club of Norfolk; and

WHEREAS, Tom Wilson volunteered his time and talents to support the City of Virginia Beach as chair of the Virginia Beach-Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce; he was also a crucial fundraiser for Virginia Beach Volunteer Rescue Squad 8 and the Eastern Virginia Medical School Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Tom Wilson enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a devoted member of Virginia Beach United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Tom Wilson will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 37 years, Rosemary; daughters, Kari and Sarah, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; 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 Thomas H. Wilson, a successful businessman, beloved husband and father, and pillar of the Virginia Beach community; 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 Thomas H. Wilson as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.