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## 14105441D HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 469

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Commending William Jeffrey Liverman.

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WHEREAS, William Jeffrey Liverman, who has admirably served as executive director of the Danville Science Center for 10 years, leading the organization during a time of great growth and helping to make the Danville Science Center a hub of activity and learning, retired on January 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a passionate advocate for the joys and excitement that science can offer, William Jeffrey "Jeff" Liverman has worked for the Science Museum of Virginia since 1988; the Danville center is a division of the museum in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at the Danville Science Center, Jeff Liverman oversaw many changes: attendance doubled, the square footage of the center also doubled, and a digital dome theater opened in early 2014; and

WHEREAS, before becoming director of the Danville Science Center in 2003, Jeff Liverman worked at the Science Museum of Virginia for 15 years; he describes his career at the two institutions as full and robust; and

WHEREAS, annual attendance at the Danville Science Center increased during Jeff Liverman's leadership and averages more than 30,000 visitors; in 2013, more than 8,000 children participated in programs at the center, which showed them that science, technology, engineering, and math can be fun and rewarding; and

WHEREAS, in the last decade, Jeff Liverman has effectively represented the Danville Science Center in the community through his dedication and personal efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend William Jeffrey Liverman, executive director of the Danville Science Center, on the occasion of his retirement and for his admirable service in leading the organization during a time of great growth, helping to make the Danville Science Center a hub of activity and learning; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to William Jeffrey Liverman as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation and admiration for his leadership of the Danville Science Center and for his service to the Danville area and the Commonwealth.