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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 175

Offered February 28, 2014

*Celebrating the life of Richard Mark Garber.*

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WHEREAS, Richard Mark Garber, a deeply admired longtime public servant and active member of the Winchester community, died on May 28, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a native of Winchester, Mark Garber graduated from James Wood High School in 1971 and later earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Shenandoah College; he was certified as a master governmental treasurer by the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Mark Garber began his professional career in banking with First Federal Savings and Loan and First National Bank in Strasburg; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of service to the community, Mark Garber ran for and was elected treasurer of the City of Winchester; taking office in 1997, he ably served the people of Winchester for more than 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Mark Garber was respected for his open, collaborative leadership methods and admired for his joyful spirit and zest for life; he brought empathy, efficiency, and a high degree of professionalism to the office; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to bettering the lives of his fellow Winchester residents, Mark Garber donated his time and talents as an active member and leader of many local civic and service organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mark Garber enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of Opequon Presbyterian Church in Frederick County; and

WHEREAS, Mark Garber will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Deborah; sons, Aaron, Justin, Brandon, and Tyler, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Richard Mark Garber, a longtime public servant and well-known community leader in the City of Winchester; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Richard Mark Garber as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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