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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 325

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Commending the Honorable H. F. Haymore, Jr.

Patrons—Marshall, D.W., Adams and Poindexter; Senators: Deeds, Ruff and Stanley

WHEREAS, the Honorable H. F. Haymore, Jr., court clerk for the 22nd Judicial Circuit of Virginia, retired in 2015 after 32 years of exceptional service to Pittsylvania County; and

WHEREAS, a native of Whitmell, H. F. Haymore began his career in the banking industry, becoming a senior vice president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association; he later owned Danville Casket Company, which he sold to a relative when he was elected as court clerk in 1983; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his distinguished career as court clerk, H. F. Haymore ran for reelection unopposed three times, served under five judges, and became the second longest-serving court clerk in the history of Pittsylvania County; and

WHEREAS, as court clerk, H. F. Haymore assisted with criminal and civil cases, as well as appeals from lower courts, and recorded land transfers, wills, financing statements, marriages, divorces, weapons permits, and hunting and fishing licenses; he also performed over 900 civil wedding ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, H. F. Haymore helped preserve the county's historical records, which date to 1767, and used technology to modernize the office and increase efficiency by installing a computerized case imaging system, reducing the size of deed books, and introducing new filing procedures; and

WHEREAS, respected in his field, H. F. Haymore became a certified circuit court clerk in 1998 and is a longtime member of the Virginia Court Clerks Association and the Virginia Association of Local Elected Constitutional Officers, of which he served as state president in 1995; and

WHEREAS, H. F. Haymore was appointed to the Governor's commission on the restoration of individual civil rights and currently serves on the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission; and

WHEREAS, H. F. Haymore has worked to enhance the community as a member of numerous civic and service organizations and supports local youth as an athletics coach for multiple teams; he was named Citizen of the Year by the Pittsylvania Chamber of Commerce in 1989; and

WHEREAS, after his well-earned retirement, H. F. Haymore plans to seek new opportunities to serve the community and spend more time with his wife, children, and grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Honorable H. F. Haymore, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement as court clerk for the 22nd Judicial Circuit of Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable H. F. Haymore, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to Pittsylvania County.

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