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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 751

Offered January 16, 2017

*Commending Richard A. Cordle.*

Patrons—Cox, Aird, Carr, Ingram, Loupassi, Robinson and Ware; Senators: Chase, Dance and Sturtevant

WHEREAS, Richard A. Cordle, a diligent public servant, respected for his integrity and commitment to fairness and efficiency, retired as treasurer of Chesterfield County on January 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Richard Cordle joined the Chesterfield County Treasurer's Office in 1988 as chief deputy treasurer; after the retirement of his predecessor, he served as interim treasurer until he was elected to the position in 1991; and

WHEREAS, during his 28-year tenure as treasurer, Richard Cordle strengthened Chesterfield County's financial standing, maintained a consistently high tax collection rate, and oversaw the county's \$400 million investment portfolio; and

WHEREAS, Richard Cordle enjoyed taking the opportunity to connect with Chesterfield County residents on a personal level; he cultivated trust among members of the public through his efficient management and forward-thinking policies and worked hard to hire and retain exceptional personnel in his office; and

WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments as treasurer, Richard Cordle eliminated vehicle decals, implemented a cash receipts program, and oversaw the automation of delinquent collection actions, real estate tax billing, and payment of mortgage companies and tax services; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Richard Cordle established and maintained strong internal controls, kept exceptional records, and helped design a new, integrated taxation system to ensure that the Chesterfield County Treasurer's Office maintains a high level of service in the future; and

WHEREAS, a passionate educator, Richard Cordle worked with the Treasurer's Association of Virginia to develop treasurer and deputy treasurer certification programs and served as the dean of the School of Applied Business and Technology at Chesterfield University, where he launched a technology certificate program; and

WHEREAS, Richard Cordle is an exemplar of the tireless commitment and work ethic demonstrated by local public servants throughout the Commonwealth and a champion for all the residents of Chesterfield County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Richard A. Cordle on the occasion of his retirement as treasurer of Chesterfield County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Richard A. Cordle as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his dedicated service to the residents of Chesterfield County and best wishes for a happy retirement.

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