HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 776

Celebrating the life of Kenneth A. Lawrence.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 20, 2017 Agreed to by the Senate, January 26, 2017

WHEREAS, Kenneth A. Lawrence of Fairfax, a respected member of the Fairfax County Planning Commission, died on December 17, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Niagara Falls, New York, Kenneth "Ken" A. Lawrence graduated from Cornell University in 1954, and served as a Captain in the Army Corps of Engineers at Ft. Belvoir; and

WHEREAS, during his private sector career, Ken Lawrence was a research scientist and project manager for companies such as Raytheon and Logos; and

WHEREAS, Ken Lawrence also had a career in government service, working for the United States Department of Agriculture, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Internal Revenue Service; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 13 years, Ken Lawrence served the Providence District on the Fairfax County Planning Commission, where he played a significant role in shaping the development of Tysons Corner and the Mosaic District in Merrifield; and

WHEREAS, known for being very detail-oriented and thorough, Ken Lawrence cared deeply about his work on the Fairfax County Planning Commission, and he worked tirelessly for a balance between development growth and infrastructure in Tysons Corner, and was a staunch advocate for the need for green space and outdoor recreation; and

WHÊREAS, Ken Lawrence was very civic-minded; he was a longtime member of Northern Virginia Family Services' Training Futures Association of Virginia, which provides low-income vocational training, and a volunteer for the American Lung Association; and

WHEREAS, Ken Lawrence was an avid Morris Garage car enthusiast and fan of Grand Prix racing; he was a world traveler, but most of all he enjoyed being a loving father, grandfather, and husband; and

WHEREAS, Ken Lawrence will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 58 years, Joyce; children, Lesley, Alan, and Richard, and their families; and a host of other relatives and friends; 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 Kenneth A. Lawrence of Fairfax, a respected member of the Fairfax County Planning Commission; 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 Kenneth A. Lawrence as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.