

## 2017 SESSION

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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 866

*Commending G. William Beale.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 10, 2017  
Agreed to by the Senate, February 16, 2017

WHEREAS, G. William Beale is retiring in 2017, following a long and illustrious banking career; and

WHEREAS, G. William "Billy" Beale, a native of South Carolina, graduated from The Citadel and pursued a career as a banking professional in Texas and then in Virginia for more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale led Union Bankshares Corporation and Union Bank & Trust as its president and chief executive officer for 25 years, during which time the company's assets grew from \$180 million to more than \$8.3 billion; and

WHEREAS, under Billy Beale's leadership, Union has grown to become the largest community banking company headquartered in Virginia, with locations throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale has also been an industry leader, chairing the Virginia Bankers Association and overseeing a CEO succession plan during that time and serving as treasurer of the American Bankers Association and serving on its CEO search committee, having a direct hand in ensuring consistent industry leadership in both cases; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale has served the Commonwealth as a board member of the Virginia Economic Development Partnership, Mary Washington Healthcare, and Germanna Community College Educational Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale has been an active civic and community leader, serving on the boards of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Richmond Partnership, the Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Rappahannock United Way, the Community Foundation of the Rappahannock River Region, the Historic Richmond Foundation, the State Fair of Virginia, the Caroline Chamber of Commerce, the Caroline Industrial Development Authority, the Caroline Little League, and the Caroline County School Board; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale currently is president of The Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia and as a trustee of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale is highly regarded by his colleagues, peers, clients, and community partners as an outstanding leader, a person of integrity, and a role model; and

WHEREAS, Billy Beale has the good fortune to be married to Linda Cyr Beale and enjoys the love of their children and grandchildren immensely; and

WHEREAS, without a doubt, Billy Beale will continue to make a positive impact on his community and on the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend G. William Beale for his exceptional professional achievements on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to G. William Beale as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his leadership and service and best wishes for his well-earned retirement.

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