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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 333

Offered January 24, 2017

Celebrating the life of Albert T. Mitchell.

Patrons—Gilbert and Howell

WHEREAS, Albert T. Mitchell, a longtime Woodstock town attorney and former Commonwealth's Attorney for Shenandoah County, died on November 20, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Albert "Al" T. Mitchell was born in Alexandria to the late Robert and Evelyn Mitchell, and he graduated from Francis C. Hammond High School in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Al Mitchell attended the University of Richmond on a football scholarship, and, after graduating in 1964, he attended Washington and Lee University School of Law and received his law degree in 1967; and

WHEREAS, Al Mitchell began his lengthy legal career in the law offices of Marsh & Sarver in Strasburg, and he later formed his own firm, Mitchell & Arthur, in partnership with the late Douglas C. Arthur; and

WHEREAS, in September 1968, Al Mitchell became the attorney for the Town of Woodstock, a position he held until his death; he served eight different mayors and provided steady and consistent advice to the Woodstock Town Council and its town manager for 48 years; and

WHEREAS, Al Mitchell served as Commonwealth's Attorney and Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney for Shenandoah County for over 20 years during his career, and most recently he held the position of Commonwealth's Attorney from 1999 through 2011; and

WHEREAS, a respected public servant and fixture in the Woodstock community, where he was a founding member of the Woodstock Museum, Al Mitchell was known for his sense of humor, his calm and smooth demeanor, and his well-articulated oration in the courtroom; and

WHEREAS, Al Mitchell was humble, thoughtful, and the true embodiment of the word "gentleman"; he treated everyone with respect and was generous with his time, knowledge, and kindness; and

WHEREAS, Al Mitchell will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 52 years, Toni; children, Christine, Jennifer, and Trav, and their families; and a host of other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Albert T. Mitchell, the longtime Woodstock town attorney and a former Shenandoah County Commonwealth's Attorney; 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 Albert T. Mitchell as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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