SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 373

Commending John W. McCarthy III.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 9, 2017 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 17, 2017

WHEREAS, Rappahannock County Administrator John W. McCarthy III marked the end of an extraordinary 30-year career in county government when he retired in 2016; and

WHEREAS, John McCarthy holds a bachelor's degree from Mary Washington College, now the University of Mary Washington, where he served as an adjunct professor for 25 years, and a master's degree in planning from the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, John McCarthy became Rappahannock County's first county administrator in 1988, after serving for two years as zoning administrator and administrative assistant to the board of supervisors; and

WHEREAS, over his 30-year career, John McCarthy was a staunch champion of Rappahannock County's comprehensive plan, promoting conservation and the preservation of the county's scenic beauty and agriculturally based economy; and

WHEREAS, among John McCarthy's accomplishments as county administrator were his work building the county's first landfill, purchasing and selling the former Aileen Factory property, keeping biosolids out of the county, and thwarting residential subdivisions and commercial developments; and

WHEREAS, John McCarthy was well-known for his wry sense of humor and his love of the Chicago Cubs, who won the World Series the same year as his retirement; he served as county administrator for an unusually long period of time, which is a testament to the respect he earned from community leaders; and

WHEREAS, John McCarthy has served his community through numerous civic leadership positions, including past stints as chair of the Virginia Municipal Liability Insurance Programs, the Northern Piedmont Community Foundation, and the Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission; and

WHEREAS, John McCarthy currently serves as chair of the PATH Foundation and as a member of the Fauquier Hospital and the Fauquier Health System Board of Directors; and

WHÊREAS, a resident of Fauquier County, John McCarthy's career and service to Rappahannock County could not have been possible without the love and support of his wife, Susan, and their four daughters; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend John W. McCarthy III on his three decades of extraordinary service as Rappahannock County Administrator; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to John W. McCarthy III as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his long career in public service.