

## 2017 SESSION

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### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 103

*Commending Frederick J. Napolitano.*

Agreed to by the Senate, January 19, 2017

WHEREAS, Frederick J. Napolitano, a respected businessman, generous philanthropist, and a pillar of the Virginia Beach community, received the 2015 Virginia Beach First Citizen Award; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beach First Citizen Award is presented by the Virginia Beach Jaycees to individuals who have strengthened Virginia Beach through volunteer service or philanthropic contributions and influence and participation in public initiatives; and

WHEREAS, as chair of the boards of Pembroke Enterprises and Napolitano Enterprises, Frederick "Fred" Napolitano has been an active leader in home development and real estate in Virginia Beach for more than 60 years; and

WHEREAS, deeply respected in the development field, Fred Napolitano served as president of the National Association of Home Builders in 1982 and as a board member of the Federal National Mortgage Association; he served as chair of the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce and Forward Hampton Roads and on the steering committee of Plan 2007; and

WHEREAS, Fred Napolitano has enriched cultural life in Virginia Beach as the creator of the Virginia Beach Neptune Festival, a beloved local tradition celebrating the end of summer since 1974; he was selected as King Neptune in 1977 and presided over festivities; and

WHEREAS, Fred Napolitano helped to ensure the health and wellness of his fellow residents as a 13-year board member of Sentara Healthcare, overseeing a merger with Tidewater Healthcare to better serve patients; and

WHEREAS, as an original board member of First Tee, a youth development program, and a former board member and director emeritus of St. Mary's Home for Disabled Children, Fred Napolitano has inspired countless young people in Hampton Roads; in addition, he served on the board of the Catholic Charities Foundation and is a member of the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Fred Napolitano has received many other awards and accolades, including his election to the National Association of Home Builders Hall of Fame and the 1989 American Vocation Success Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Frederick J. Napolitano hereby be commended on receiving the 2015 Virginia Beach First Citizen Award for his lifetime of service to the residents of Virginia Beach and Hampton Roads; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Frederick J. Napolitano as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his many accomplishments in service to his fellow members of the Virginia Beach community.

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