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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 324

Offered February 21, 2018

*Celebrating the life of Charles Richard Napier.*

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WHEREAS, Charles Richard Napier, a beloved husband and respected Richmond business leader who oversaw numerous home building projects as president of Napier Signature Homes, died on January 19, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a Richmond native, Charles Richard "Rich" Napier graduated from Huguenot High School and then earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Richmond, where he was an active member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and the recipient of its Merit Key Award; and

WHEREAS, after earning his real estate and broker's licenses, Rich Napier went to work at his father's real estate firm, Napier Realtors ERA; he later served as president of the firm from 1983 to 1989; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, Rich Napier co-founded Napier Signature Homes, a custom home design and construction business; as the company's president, he forged lasting relationships with customers and built numerous one-of-a-kind luxury homes across the Richmond area; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work with Napier Signature Homes, Rich Napier was a longtime advocate for the real estate and home building industries, serving as president of the Richmond Association of Realtors in 1987, president of the Home Building Association of Richmond in 2002, and president of the Home Builders Association of Virginia in 2007; and

WHEREAS, an active member of the community, Rich Napier was a former president of the Powhatan Rotary Club and the nonprofit group Backpacks of Love; he was also a director and fundraising chair for the South Richmond and Chesterfield YMCA and a charter supporter of the Elizabeth Randolph Lewis Powhatan YMCA; and

WHEREAS, Rich Napier's dedication to the homebuilding industry saw him honored with numerous awards, including the Ernest E. Mayo Award from the Home Building Association of Richmond and the 2012 Builder of the Year award from the Home Builders Association of Virginia; in 2013, he was inducted into the Home Builders Association of Virginia's Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, in his free time, Rich Napier was happiest when boating, traveling, or entertaining family and friends at his farm in Powhatan County; and

WHEREAS, Rich Napier will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his wife of 28 years, Judy, as well as numerous family members and close 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 Charles Richard Napier, a talented real estate professional and an active member of the Richmond and Powhatan communities; 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 Charles Richard Napier as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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