

2019 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 811

Celebrating the life of Edwin Burwell Jones Whitmore III.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 11, 2019
Agreed to by the Senate, February 14, 2019

WHEREAS, Edwin Burwell Jones Whitmore III, a respected businessman and public servant who made many contributions to the residents of Marion, died on December 22, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Edwin "Ed" Burwell Jones Whitmore III moved to Marion with his family as a youth, and his devotion to the community strengthened throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1968, Ed Whitmore became editor of the *Smyth County News* before enlisting in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Ed Whitmore served his country on active duty for three years and as a member of the reserves for more than 25 years, earning the rank of lieutenant colonel; he helped shape a new generation of military officers as a liaison to the admissions staff of the United States Military Academy; and

WHEREAS, Ed Whitmore pursued a career with Dominion Bankshares Corporation, working as a commercial loan officer for 23 years; he was subsequently promoted to assistant vice president, then selected as vice president for economic development and legislative affairs; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Ed Whitmore returned to his alma mater as a research associate and assistant director of the New Century Council, which worked to create a strategic vision for the region; and

WHEREAS, Ed Whitmore supported the community as a member of the Marion Town Council; in 1998, he was appointed county administrator and served in that capacity until 2009; and

WHEREAS, Ed Whitmore will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 33 years, Beverly, and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; 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 Edwin Burwell Jones Whitmore III; 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 Edwin Burwell Jones Whitmore III as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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