SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 258

Celebrating the life of the Honorable Charles Henry Duff, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 4, 2020 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2020

WHEREAS, the Honorable Charles Henry Duff, Jr., a retired judge of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, died on February 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a native of Houston, Texas, Charles Duff grew up in Richmond and attended Benedictine High School; he continued his education at Virginia Military Institute, but was called upon to serve the nation as a member of the United States Army during World War II before graduating; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable military service, Charles Duff enrolled at Georgetown University, from which he ultimately earned a law degree; he began his distinguished legal career with Jesse, Phillis, Kling & Kendrick in Arlington, then started his own firm, focusing on insurance law; and

WHEREAS, Charles Duff was subsequently appointed as a judge for the Arlington Circuit Court of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Virginia in 1972 and presided over the court with great fairness and wisdom for more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Charles Duff was selected as one of the 10 original judges of the newly created Court of Appeals of Virginia, where he heard and decided many significant cases until his retirement in 2000; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife, Jean, and a son, Edward, Charles Duff will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Anne, Charles, and David, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of the Honorable Charles Henry Duff, Jr., a respected judge who made many contributions to jurisprudence in the Commonwealth; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of the Honorable Charles Henry Duff, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.