HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 272

Celebrating the life of Walter Daniel Goad.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 8, 2021

WHEREAS, Walter Daniel Goad, a business owner and philanthropist in Lexington, died on January 4, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a native of Rockbridge County, Walter Daniel "W. D." Goad was the son of the late Charlie and Lutie Goad and had a passion for automobiles and racing throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, W. D. Goad established Goad's Body Shop in Lexington, where he served the community for many years, earning a reputation for being able to fix any issue on any sized car or truck; and

WHEREAS, over the course of 13 years, W. D. Goad raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to support Rockbridge Area Hospice through the Goad's Classic Cruise In event; and

WHEREAS, a model of humility and commitment to servant leadership, W. D. Goad quietly raised funds for local schools and other important community initiatives, and his legacy lives on through the lives he touched; and

WHEREAS, W. D. Goad will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 21 years, Brenda; and his children, J. D. and Amanda, and their families; his stepchildren, Ray and Mandie, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Walter Daniel Goad, a respected entrepreneur who made many generous contributions to the Lexington community; 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 Walter Daniel Goad as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.