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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 332

Offered January 28, 2021

Commending the Honorable Mark C. Christie.

Patrons—McDougle; Delegates: Fowler and Wyatt

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mark C. Christie, an esteemed and respected commissioner of the Virginia State Corporation Commission, served in that capacity for almost 17 years; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie was elected to the Virginia State Corporation Commission by the General Assembly in 2004 and was reelected in 2010 and 2016; he adapted to the unique challenges of working for the commission, which is a separate department of state government with delegated administrative, legislative, and judicial powers; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie was appointed by the President of the United States and confirmed by the United States Senate to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie has had a long and distinguished career, serving the Commonwealth for more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the Virginia State Corporation Commission, Mark Christie served as a counselor and advisor to Governor George H. Allen from 1994 to 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie served as counsel to William H. Howell, Speaker of the House of Delegates from 2000 to 2004; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie was a member of the Virginia Board of Education from 1997 to 2003 and served as board president in 2002 and 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie was a member of the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission from 1996 to 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie has taught regulatory and constitutional law and policy as an adjunct professor at both the University of Virginia School of Law and Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie received his undergraduate degrees in history and English from Wake Forest University in 1975 and received a law degree from Georgetown University in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie worked as an attorney in private practice from 1989 to 1993 and again from 1998 to 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie was an officer in the United States Marine Corps and served honorably until 1989, when he retired with the rank of major; and

WHEREAS, Mark Christie's vast experience, his profound wisdom, his unquestioned integrity, and his diligent adherence to the application of Virginia law have served the interests of the citizens of the Commonwealth well; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Honorable Mark C. Christie for his judicial acumen and his long and exemplary career in public service; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Honorable Mark C. Christie as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his outstanding service with the Virginia State Corporation Commission and best wishes for his continued career in energy industry regulation.

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