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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 380

Offered February 2, 2021

*Celebrating the life of the Honorable Jerry M. Wood.*

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WHEREAS, the Honorable Jerry M. Wood, a trusted pharmacist who touched countless lives throughout his career and a respected public servant who was elected to the Warrenton Town Council and the House of Delegates, died on January 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a native of Roanoke, Jerry Wood attended Andrew Lewis High School in Salem and subsequently graduated from what is now the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) School of Pharmacy; he also served his country for eight years as a member of the United States Navy Reserve; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Wood worked at pharmacies in Fredericksburg and Culpeper, then joined the staff of Rhodes Drug Store in Warrenton in 1968; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Wood established Fauquier Pharmacy in Warrenton in 1972 and served the community from its Main Street location for 20 years, earning a reputation for his commitment to customer service and his devotion to serving young people in the community; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Wood sold Fauquier Pharmacy to Rite Aid in 1992 and continued to work as a family pharmacist for the company until his retirement in 2005; and

WHEREAS, desirous to be of further service to the Commonwealth, Jerry Wood ran for and was elected to the House of Delegates in 1991 and served the residents of the 31st District with dedication and integrity for one term; and

WHEREAS, during his time as a state lawmaker, Jerry Wood helped established a Fauquier County campus of Lord Fairfax Community College and supported the development of pari-mutuel horse racing in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Wood continued his career in public service as a member of the Warrenton Town Council from 2014 to 2020 and represented the Warrenton community as a member of the Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Wood offered his wisdom and expertise to the Virginia Board of Pharmacy and the Virginia Board of Health Professions, and he volunteered his time and leadership with the local American Legion post, Rotary club, and Optimist club and several other civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, among many awards and accolades for his personal and professional achievements, Jerry Wood received a Pharmacy Alumni Award from VCU in 2013; and

WHEREAS, guided by his deep and abiding faith throughout his life, Jerry Wood enjoyed fellowship and worship with the congregation of St. James' Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Wood will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 29 years, Coleen; his children, Gregory, Christian, Julie, Laura, Brandon, and Ashley, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; 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 Jerry M. Wood, a highly admired medical professional and public servant in Warrenton; 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 Jerry M. Wood as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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