HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 502

Celebrating the life of Donald L. Potter.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 15, 2021

WHEREAS, Donald L. Potter, a respected veteran and active community leader in Big Stone Gap, died on September 19, 2020; and

WHERÊAS, a lifelong resident of Big Stone Gap, Donald "Jerry" L. Potter joined many of the other young men of his generation in service to the nation as a member of the United States Army during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Potter again answered the call to service during the Korean War and returned to the Commonwealth after his honorable discharge; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Potter established Potter Insurance Agency in 1960 and served the Big Stone Gap community for more than 40 years, until his well-earned retirement in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Potter helped safeguard his fellow residents as a founding member of the Big Stone Gap Rescue Squad; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Potter enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a member of First Christian Church, where he served as an elder and a trustee; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Potter was an avid fisherman, and he relished every opportunity to spend time with his beloved family and friends at Boone Lake; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife, Margaret, and one son, Steve, Jerry Potter will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his sons, Preston, Joseph, Patrick, and Troy, 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 Donald L. Potter; 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 Donald L. Potter as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.