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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 701

Offered February 15, 2023

*Celebrating the life of William August Wildhack, Jr.*

Patrons—Hope, Bennett-Parker, Lopez and Sullivan; Senators: Ebbin, Favola and Howell

WHEREAS, William August Wildhack, Jr., a highly respected attorney in Arlington, died on January 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, born in Maryland, William "Bill" August Wildhack, Jr., relocated to Arlington with his family when he was young and graduated from the former Washington-Lee High School; he continued his education at Miami University in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Bill Wildhack worked as a special agent for the Internal Revenue Service while earning a law degree from The George Washington University Law School; and

WHEREAS, Bill Wildhack subsequently worked for the firm Morris, Pearce, Gardner & Beitel from 1965 to 1969, when he joined the B.F. Saul Company as vice president and corporate counsel; he oversaw the process to list the company on the New York Stock Exchange and helped create the B.F. Saul Real Estate Investment Trust; and

WHEREAS, in the 1990s, Bill Wildhack returned to private practice and worked in elder law and trust and estate law until his retirement; over the course of his career, he was admitted to practice law in Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C., as well as before the Supreme Court of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Bill Wildhack volunteered his leadership and expertise to the Arlington Young Democrats, the Arlington Jaycees, the American Cancer Society, and the Arlington County Tenant-Landlord Commission; and

WHEREAS, as an active member of the Arlington Host Lions Club, Bill Wildhack served as club treasurer, volunteered at an eyeglass recycling center, and helped raise millions of dollars for the Lions Clubs International SightFirst campaign; and

WHEREAS, Bill Wildhack enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a longtime member of Little Falls Presbyterian Church, where he helped fund ministry programs through the creation of the Little Falls Presbyterian Church Foundation; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife of 53 years, Martha, William Wildhack will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Elizabeth and William III, and their families, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of William August Wildhack, Jr.; 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 William August Wildhack, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.