

## 2023 SESSION

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### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 109

*Celebrating the life of James Latane Ware, M.D.*

Agreed to by the Senate, February 2, 2023

WHEREAS, James Latane Ware, M.D., an esteemed general and plastic surgeon, honorable veteran, and beloved member of the Richmond community, died on December 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware attended St. Christopher's School in Richmond and graduated from Episcopal High School in Alexandria before earning degrees from the University of Virginia and what was formerly the Medical College of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware completed his medical training at both Grady Hospital in Atlanta and what is now Duke University School of Medicine, becoming board certified in general and plastic surgery; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware then served his country with honor and distinction from 1967 to 1969 as a member of the United States Navy, fulfilling his commitment at what is today the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, ultimately attaining the rank of commander; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware later settled in Richmond, where he practiced at multiple hospitals and ultimately rose to the position of clinical professor of surgery (plastic) at what is now the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center, providing exemplary care and support to foster the health and well-being of innumerable Virginians; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware made meaningful contributions to the advancement of his profession as an active member of several medical societies, including as president of the Richmond Academy of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware's passion for history and travel led him to take many trips around the world and was most evident in the special care he took when planning itineraries for his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, from his first summer to his last, Latane Ware relished every moment he spent at his family's ancestral home, Ware's Wharf, on the Rappahannock River, where he swam, sailed, boated, and water-skied throughout his life and later took great pleasure in watching his children and grandchildren grow up; and

WHEREAS, guided by his faith, Latane Ware was baptized, confirmed, and married at St. James's Episcopal Church in Richmond, enjoying worship and fellowship with his community there throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Latane Ware will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife of 63 years, Betsy; his children Elizabeth and Latane, Jr., and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Virginia hereby note with great sadness the loss of James Latane Ware, M.D., a cherished member of the Richmond community whose dedication to serving and caring for others touched countless lives; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of James Latane Ware, M.D., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's respect for his memory.

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