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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 62

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Celebrating the life of Anastasius Jack Georgalas.

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WHEREAS, Anastasius Jack Georgalas, a patriotic veteran, successful entrepreneur, and respected community leader in Hampton Roads, died on November 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, born in New York City, Jack Georgalas moved to Newport News with his family at a young age; he attended Saint Vincent de Paul Catholic High School and Georgia Military Academy, then earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable discharge from the United States Marine Corps, Jack Georgalas established Tri-Cities Beverage Corporation in 1959; he helped the company grow from distributing one brand of beer from one truck to a thriving enterprise that continues to create jobs and serve the Newport News community; and

WHEREAS, Jack Georgalas was a pillar of the Newport News community, supporting many civic organizations and local projects, and his legacy lives on through his contributions to the development of Oyster Point and City Center; and

WHEREAS, Jack Georgalas enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a founding member of Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, where he served on the parish council and played a critical role in the success of the annual church festival; and

WHEREAS, Jack Georgalas supported countless fellow Greek Americans as an active member of the Order of AHEPA (American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association), including as chair of the organization's national board, chair of the Cyprus/Hellenic Affairs Committee, and supreme president; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his wife, Mary, and two children, Suzanne and Harry, Jack Georgalas will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Venisse and Jack, and their families; and by 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 Anastasius Jack Georgalas; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Anastasius Jack Georgalas as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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