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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 205

Offered February 9, 2022

*Celebrating the life of Richard L. Barr.*

Patrons—Hope; Senators: Ebbin and Howell

WHEREAS, Richard L. Barr, longtime member of the Bureau of Naval Personnel, honorable veteran, and a beloved member of the Arlington community, died on September 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Richard "Dick" Barr attended a one-room schoolhouse in his youth, graduated from Fremont Ross High School in Fremont, Ohio, in 1952, and earned a degree in aeronautics from Miami University in Ohio four years later; and

WHEREAS, immediately following his graduation, Dick Barr enlisted with the United States Air Force, admirably serving his country as an instructor at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas until he was discharged in 1958; and

WHEREAS, after leaving the military, Dick Barr began his career with the Navy Finance Center in Cleveland before moving to Arlington in 1962 to work for the Bureau of Naval Personnel, where he remained for more than three decades until his retirement in 1994; and

WHEREAS, an active and engaged member of his community, Dick Barr was highly involved with the Kiwanis Club of Arlington, serving as the organization's secretary for more than 16 years and regularly attending Capital District of Kiwanis International conventions; and

WHEREAS, Dick Barr appreciated the opportunity to travel with his wife, Amy, throughout his lifetime, including trips to Calgary, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Alaska, and the Celtic lands, as well as frequent excursions to Ohio to see family and friends; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his faith, Dick Barr enjoyed worship and fellowship with his family at Clarendon United Methodist Church in Arlington, where he served on several committees, sang in the adult choir, rang handbells, and served as head usher; and

WHEREAS, Dick Barr will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his loving wife of 31 years, Amy; his brother, James; his sister, Patricia; his goddaughter, Christyna; 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 Richard L. Barr, a cherished member of the Arlington County community whose generosity and kindness touched countless lives; 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 Richard L. Barr as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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