HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 92

Celebrating the life of the Honorable Neil Randolph Bryant.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2022

WHEREAS, the Honorable Neil Randolph Bryant, a former judge of the 26th Judicial Circuit of Virginia, died on August 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a native of Winchester, the Honorable Neil Randolph "Randy" Bryant graduated from John Handley High School, then earned a bachelor's degree and a law degree from the University of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Randy Bryant served the residents of Winchester as an attorney in private practice for more than 30 years, then was appointed as a judge of the 26th Judicial Circuit of Virginia in 2015; and

WHEREAS, in that capacity, Randy Bryant was one of the first judges to preside over the Northwest Regional Adult Drug Court, which offered an alternative to incarceration to many defendants; he was admired for treating everyone who came before the court with equal respect, and he presided with fairness, wisdom, and compassion until his retirement in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Randy Bryant made numerous contributions as a community leader, including as a champion for education with the Winchester School Board and the Winchester Education Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Randy Bryant inspired young people as a volunteer at John Kerr Elementary School and a track coach at John Handley High School; and

WHEREAS, Randy Bryant enjoyed fellowship and worship with his fellow members of the community at First Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Randy Bryant will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his children, Anne and John, 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 the Honorable Neil Randolph Bryant; 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 the Honorable Neil Randolph Bryant as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.