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**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 277**  
Offered March 5, 2026

*Celebrating the life of Michael Allen Humphries.*

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Patron—Austin  
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WHEREAS, Michael Allen Humphries, an honorable veteran, accomplished tradesman and artisan, and beloved member of the Covington community, died on July 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Michael “Mike” Allen graduated from Alleghany County High School before serving his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Mike Allen attained the rank of sergeant with the Marines and saw combat in Beirut during the Lebanese Civil War, earning several awards and decorations in recognition of his bravery and service, including the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and a Combat Action Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, following his military service, Mike Allen worked tirelessly in his career as a welder and pipe fitter for various large-scale projects throughout the Commonwealth and Mid-Atlantic region; and

WHEREAS, Mike Allen earned a reputation as a skilled metalworker by crafting handmade jewelry, bracelets, knives, and belt buckles; and

WHEREAS, Mike Allen was an avid hunter, fisherman, and outdoorsman, whose greatest joys in life included spending quality time with loved ones at his family's long-held camp on the Jackson River; and

WHEREAS, Mike Allen will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his mother, Wanda; his children, Joshua and Brooke, 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 Michael Allen Humphries, a treasured member of the Covington community whose light brightened 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 Michael Allen Humphries as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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