

2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 806

Celebrating the life of Alan Richard Vanasse.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates July 18, 2024

WHEREAS, Alan Richard Vanasse, an honorable veteran, esteemed engineer, accomplished businessman, and beloved member of the Hampton community, died on June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Holden High School in Holden, Massachusetts, at the age of 17, Alan Vanasse joined the United States Air Force, serving his country with honor and distinction during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his valor in service to the country, Alan Vanasse was presented with a number of awards and decorations, including the United Nations Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal; and

WHEREAS, Alan Vanasse was stationed at the Langley Air Force Base from 1953 until he concluded his military service in 1955, at which point he made his home in Hampton; and

WHEREAS, Alan Vanasse graduated from the apprentice school of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in 1957 and later embarked upon a successful career at the NASA Langley Research Center, where he retired in 1980 as an engineering technician; and

WHEREAS, Alan Vanasse proudly and faithfully served his constituents as a member of the Hampton City Council, working tirelessly to ensure the prosperity and well-being of Hampton and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Alan Vanasse owned and operated Vanasse Bait & Tackle in the Fox Hill neighborhood of Hampton, a treasured local hub that was a popular campaign stop for delegates, senators, and governors alike; and

WHEREAS, Alan Vanasse gave generously to his community in myriad ways over the years and was a lifetime member of the Elks Lodge No. 366 and his local Army & Navy Masonic Lodge; and

WHEREAS, Alan Vanasse will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his devoted wife, Mary Ann; his children, Denise, Michelle, and Teresa, 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 Alan Richard Vanasse, a revered member of the Hampton community whose legacy of service was an inspiration to all who knew him; 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 Alan Richard Vanasse as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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