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Statement by House Speaker William J. Howell

-- On the Death of House of Delegates Clerk Bruce F. Jamerson --

RICHMOND, VA – Virginia House of Delegates Speaker William J. Howell (R-Stafford) today issued the following statement regarding the death of the Bruce F. Jamerson, Clerk of the Virginia House of Delegates and Keeper of the Rolls of the Commonwealth:

“On behalf of the Virginia House of Delegates, I express our tremendous grief and sorrow at the death of not only a distinguished and respected professional but our dear friend Bruce Jamerson.

“As Clerk of the House of Delegates for 20 years, Bruce embodied so much of what is good and noble about public service. He was a consummate professional who understood well that the first rule of success is hard work. That he always did without fail, with a warm and friendly demeanor and out of an abiding respect for every member, staff colleague or visitor to Mr. Jefferson’s Capitol. Indeed, all who had the honor of knowing or the pleasure of working with Bruce recognized quickly that his life-long commitment to service was motivated in no small part by the infectious pride he took in being part of the fabric of Mr. Jefferson’s “temple on the hill.” His dedicated leadership in the 2004-2007 restoration of Virginia’s historic State Capitol is a lasting legacy for which we and future generations can enjoy and thank him.

“By any measure, Bruce Jamerson led a remarkable life of contribution and service. His stewardship of the Virginia Capitol Foundation, dedication to the Boy Scouts of America, participation in the American Legion’s Virginia Boys State program and his active commitment to his church are but a few of the many ways that Bruce gave back to that in which he believed and worked with those he loved. His remarkable service to the Virginia House of Delegates, to his local community and the entire Commonwealth merits the grateful admiration and respect of all Virginians.

“Like so many, I will always remember Bruce’s character and gentle kindnesses. My rich memories of him are perhaps only surpassed by my gratitude for his friendship and counsel to me as Speaker as well as for the fine example he leaves behind.

“Our prayers and the support of the entire House of Delegates family are with his devoted wife, Elizabeth, and his daughter, Ainslie, during this time of grief for them and us all.”

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