

City of Harrisonburg

409 South Main Street Harrisonburg, VA 22801 (540) 432-7701 / FAX (540) 432-7778 Deanna Reed, Mayor Sal Romero, Vice-Mayor Richard A. Baugh, Council Member George Hirschmann, Council Member Christopher B. Jones, Council Member

A RESOLUTION HONORING RICHARD A. BAUGH FOR SERVICE AS COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG

WHEREAS, Richard A. Baugh has been on the City Council since 2009, serving one term as mayor; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, Council Member Baugh executed the duties of an elected official with integrity, fairness, and effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, Richard has also served the community on numerous other boards and commissions such as the City/County Liaison Committee, the Harrisonburg Planning Commission, the Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission, the School Liaison Committee, the Finance Committee, the Stormwater Advisory Committee, the Plan Our Park Liaison Committee, VML Community and Economic Development Committee, JMU Liaison Committee, Downtown Parking Advisory Committee, the Environmental Performance Standards Advisory Committee, and the Harrisonburg Comprehensive Plan Committee; and

WHEREAS, Richard has been a strong advocate for continued economic development within Harrisonburg, supporting new and expansion projects including the Hotel Madison, Sage Bird Cider Works, the start-up of Shenandoah Valley Organics, the expansions for Ariake USA (now Kerry Foods), Artisan Packaging, Tenneco Walker, and Rocco Building Supply; and

WHEREAS, Richard's willingness to take a vocal role in engaging with staff and residents is much appreciated, he has been part of three videos made by the city, two of which showed appreciation to City staff for all that they do and one to show appreciation to our community and first responders for National Night Out..

WHERAS, Richard has been a critical leader in forwarding environmental compliance and his contributions to the Environmental Performance Standards Advisory Committee (EPSAC), he was there from the beginning and proved to be a valuable resource during the creation and development of Phase 1 of the Environmental Action Plan.; and.

WHEREAS, Richard was a strong supporter of Public Safety ensuring the fire department received the resources necessary to provide the most up to date equipment for personnel to do their jobs as safely as possible, he was a strong supporter of the Harrisonburg mulch ordinance and staunchly defended the City's approach to making the community safer through two legislative sessions and one lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, Richard has been a valued colleague and friend to citizens, fellow elected officials, and staff and was on Council when the City conducted a classification and pay study in 2013; and,

WHEREAS, Richards dedication and professionalism will be greatly missed by City employees, elected officials, and the citizens he served.

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED**, the members of the Harrisonburg City Council take great pride in recognizing and honoring the achievements and service of Richard Baugh, thanking him for the dedication he has rendered and the contributions he has made in making the City a better place to live.

Adopted this 8th day of December 2020.

Deanna R. Reed, Mayor

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Pamela Ulmer, City Clerk