



RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE LATE PRESTON BROOKS MAYSON, JR.

WHEREAS, Preston Brooks Mayson, Jr. of Roanoke, a respected public servant and attorney, died March 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Preston Brooks Mayson, Jr. is offered to the memory of our Association as a fine lawyer and a good man; and

WHEREAS, Preston Brooks Mayson was born in Spartanburg, South Carolina on June 18, 1932 and was descended from early settlers of Virginia and South Carolina who fought in the Cherokee Wars and the American Revolutionary War; he was the son of the late Colonel and Mrs. Preston B. Mayson; Preston was graduated from the United States Military Academy, George Washington University School of Medicine, where he was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, and earned his law degree from Washington and Lee University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Preston's Army service included tours of duty with the 82nd Airborne Division, the 25th Infantry Division, Letterman Army Hospital in Washington, D.C., and the 93rd Evacuation Hospital in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Preston practiced radiology with Radiology Associates in Roanoke for 18 years, and, after receiving his law degree, he practiced law in Roanoke for 9 years before retiring in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Preston was a member of Second Presbyterian Church and of many professional military, medical, and legal organizations; he was a workman who did not always follow expected conventions, but who tried to apply the guidance espoused in Romans 12:2, “And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God,” through his service to his country, his patients, and his clients; and

WHEREAS, during his long careers and in retirement, he enjoyed painting oil landscapes, many of which hang in homes and businesses throughout the Roanoke Valley and in many southeastern states; and

WHEREAS, his personal life was blessed with a loving wife of 44 years, Sara Dudley Heaton Mayson, two sons, Brooks Heaton Mayson of Jamestown, North Carolina and James Dudley Mayson of Staunton, Virginia, five grandchildren, two daughters-in-law, and other relatives, and is preceded in death by his brother, Colonel Elford Morgan Mayson; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Roanoke Bar Association laments the passing of Preston Brooks Mayson, Jr., and holds his memory and his contributions to this Association, to this community, and to the cause of justice in high regard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Circuit Courts of the City and County of Roanoke, the City of Salem and the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, Roanoke Division, with motions that the resolution be spread upon the permanent common law order books of those courts; and that copies of this resolution be furnished to his family to communicate the esteem in which the Roanoke Bar Association holds him and his memory and the Association’s sorrow at his passing.

GIVEN under the hands of the President and Secretary of the Roanoke Bar Association and the seal of the Association this 13th day of October, 2009.

Roy V. Creasy, President

TESTE:

Lori D. Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer