

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # NB2

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

June 21, 2023

MOTION

Made By: Dr. Smoot, Seconded By: Ms. Hynes

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Commending Bert Dodson, Jr.

WHEREAS, Bert Dodson, Jr. served as a member of the Commonwealth Transportation Board representing the Lynchburg District from 2018 to 2023, having been appointed by Governor Ralph Northam in 2018 to fill an unexpired term and subsequently reappointed for a full four year term by Governor Ralph Northam in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dodson brought to his tenure on the Board a dedicated record of leadership in the private sector, serving as President and CEO of Dodson Pest Control; Member of the Board of Directors of the Professional Pest Management Alliance; Member of the National Pest Management Association; and Member of the Virginia Pest Management Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dodson has made significant contributions to the public sector and his community, serving or having served as Vice-Mayor of the City of Lynchburg for six years; Member of the Lynchburg City Council; Member of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce; Member of the Virginia University of Lynchburg Board of Trustees; Member of the 2005 Commonwealth of Virginia Commission on Transportation in Urbanized Areas; Chair of the Lynchburg Regional Airport Commission; and as Member of the Virginia FREE Board of Directors; Lifetime Member of the Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg; and as President and Member of the Virginia High School League Foundation; and

WHERAS, Mr. Dodson has been the recipient of numerous awards throughout his distinguished career, including the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities Humanitarian

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Award; the Family Alliance of Lynchburg Friend of the Family Award; the Lynchburg Chapter of the NAACP Citizen Achievement Award; the Advocacy Award from the City of Lynchburg Fire and EMS Department; the Small Business Champion in Virginia Award from the National Federation of Independent Business; an Honorary Doctorate from the Virginia University of Lynchburg; the Virginia University of Lynchburg Board Member of the Year Award; the Virginia Pest Management Association Industry Stewardship Award; and the Sam Walton Business Leader Award from the Greater Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dodson diligently and tirelessly has played a significant role in transportation for the Commonwealth, serving as a member of the Commonwealth Transportation Board in his representation of the Lynchburg District; and

WHEREAS, in fulfilling his duties as a member of this Board, his leadership, commitment and insight have earned Mr. Dodson the admiration and respect of his colleagues and the staff at the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth Transportation Board wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Dodson for his years of service to this Board and to the Commonwealth.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, that the members of this Board hereby extend to Bert Dodson, Jr. their highest commendation and gratitude for his years of outstanding service on behalf of the citizens of the Commonwealth and convey their best wishes to him in all his future endeavors.

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