

## **Resolution Honoring the Life and Work of Richard R. G. Hobson**

*Sponsored by: ADC Executive Board*

Whereas former Alexandria Delegate Richard R.G. Hobson passed away at his home on Sunday, May 23, 2021;

Whereas Dick Hobson served the Democratic Party, the Commonwealth of Virginia, the City of Alexandria, and his neighborhood, Seminary Hill;

Whereas he attended MacArthur Elementary School and George Washington High School, and graduated from Episcopal High School;

Whereas he attended Princeton on a Navy ROTC scholarship, graduated magna cum laude, and then served as an officer in the U.S. Navy before attending and graduating from Harvard Law School;

Whereas Hobson joined the Alexandria Democratic Committee after moving back to the city in 1964;

Whereas he was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 1976, where he served two terms;

Whereas he was a leader among the progressive Democrats in Alexandria and Richmond, pushing the party forward on civil rights issues;

Whereas he was a hard-working and committed member of the Alexandria Democratic Committee for more than five decades;

Whereas Dick Hobson served as the Macarthur Precinct Committeeman, chair of the ADC Resolutions Committee, chair of the ADC, chair and member of the Eighth Congressional District Democratic Committee, and member of the Democratic State Central Committee;

Whereas he served several community organizations, including the Seminary Hill Association, Episcopal Emanuel Church, the Alexandria Library, and the Shenandoah Valley Battlefield Foundation;

Whereas the Alexandria Democratic Committee presented him with a lifetime achievement award in 2014; and

Whereas, he is survived by his wife, Kay, and his children Rich Hobson, Hartley Hobson Wensing, Lee Hobson and Kathleen Hobson Davis and their children. Now, therefore, be it—

*Resolved* that the Alexandria Democratic Committee—

1. Expresses its condolences to the Hobson family for their loss;

2. Honors Richard R.G. Hobson for his devoted service to his community, his commonwealth, and his country; and
3. Commits to continue advancing the values of the Democratic Party that Richard Hobson dedicated his life to promoting.