

RESOLUTION

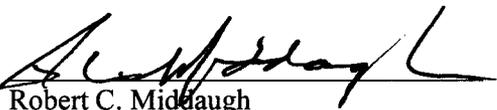
ANALYSIS OF SENATE BILL NO. 430 CEMETERIES

- WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly will be considering Senate Bill No. 430 (SB 430) during its 2012 session; and
- WHEREAS, SB 430 greatly expands the definition of cemetery in Virginia Code Section 54.1-2310 by adding additional uses; and
- WHEREAS, the amendments proposed in SB 430 lengthen the approval time for cemetery subdivision plats and site plan; and
- WHEREAS, SB 430 would exempt development of future sections from complying with any changes to local laws and regulations different from any other land uses; and
- WHEREAS, SB 430 would create a new vesting provision for zoning and exempt all structures in a cemetery from the County's building code or "any other applicable code utilized by localities," and
- WHEREAS, the erosion of local control in the locating, developing, designing, and construction of cemeteries could negatively impact the residents of the community; and
- WHEREAS, SB 430 would eliminate not only local regulation of cemeteries, but also the citizens ability to voice their concerns; and
- WHEREAS, local land use decision have been and should continue to be made on a local level giving citizens of the locality and the Commonwealth of Virginia an opportunity to express their opinion.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, hereby opposes SB 430 and calls upon the members of the General Assembly to oppose SB 430.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator and the County Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to express James City County's opposition to Senate Bill No. 430 and to send a certified copy of this resolution to the County's legislative delegation and to members of the General Assembly who will be considering it.



Mary K. Jones
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Robert C. Middleaugh
Clerk to the Board

<u>SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
MCGLENNON	AYE
ICENHOUR	AYE
KENNEDY	AYE
JONES	AYE

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 24th day of January, 2012.

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