2004 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 216

Commending the Hanover County Sheriff's Office.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 16, 2004 Agreed to by the Senate, January 22, 2004

WHEREAS, the Hanover County Sheriff's Office has earned national accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement; and

WHEREAS, in 1998 the Hanover County Sheriff's Office earned state accreditation and worked diligently to meet the demanding standards of national accreditation; and

WHEREAS, following documentation of the office's adherence to the national standards, a three-member team spent five days reviewing the policies and procedures of the Hanover County Sheriff's Office to determine if they met the 444 national standards; and

WHEREAS, by winning national accreditation, the Hanover County Sheriff's Office earns the added distinction of being one of only two law-enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth to hold both state and national accreditation; and

WHEREAS, this national honor reaffirms the commitment to professionalism of the 177 officers of the Hanover County Sheriff's Office; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Hanover County Sheriff's Office on earning this rare and prestigious national recognition; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Sheriff V. Stuart Cook in honor of the exceptional performance of the Hanover County Sheriff's Office.