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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 61

Offered January 14, 2004 Prefiled January 14, 2004

Commending Ronald T. Knight.

Patrons—Houck; Delegates: Cole, McDougle and Orrock

7 WHEREAS, Ronald T. Knight, the Sheriff of Spotsylvania County and a veteran of more than 30 years as a law-enforcement professional in Virginia, retired on December 31, 2003; and

9 WHEREAS, Ronald Knight attended Stafford County public schools and earned his associate in 10 applied science degree in criminal justice from Germanna Community College in 1991; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Ronald Knight has enhanced his professional qualifications through further training at, among others, the National Sheriff's Institute, the University of Georgia, the FBI Academy, and the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, before his election as Sheriff of Spotsylvania County in 1996, Ronald Knight served for
25 years in the Stafford County Sheriff's Office, rising to the rank of lieutenant in the Criminal
Investigative Division; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Knight managed the daily functions of the Stafford County Criminal
Investigative Division; prepared, delegated, and assigned criminal case files; and maintained the Criminal
Information Case File tracking system; and

WHEREAS, during his eight-year tenure as Sheriff of Spotsylvania County, Ronald Knight
 modernized and expanded the Sheriff's Office, increased the level of training and professionalism of the
 staff, and prepared and managed the department's budget and planning; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Knight has devoted his professional life to serving the citizens of Stafford and
 Spotsylvania Counties, establishing an outstanding record of professionalism, integrity, and dedication;
 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby
 commend Ronald T. Knight on the completion of an exemplary career of service to the citizens of
 Stafford and Spotsylvania Counties; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for
 presentation to Ronald T. Knight as an expression of the admiration, respect, and gratitude of the
 General Assembly.