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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8

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Commending Wallace Sanford, III.
Patrons-Houck; Delegate: Scott, E.T.
WHEREAS, Wallace "Monk" Sanford, III, an Orange County beef and dairy farmer, was named Virginia regional finalist for the Southeastern Farmer of the Year award sponsored by the Lancaster/Sunbelt Expo; and

WHEREAS, as a state winner, Monk Sanford received a cash award, an expense-paid trip to the Expo, and gifts from Southern States and other agricultural sponsors; and

WHEREAS, Kenwood, the 1,300-acre Sanford farm in Orange County, is just north of Gordonsville, not far from Montpelier, the stately home of the founding father and Orange County statesman, James Madison; and

WHEREAS, located at the convergence of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains and the wide-open Piedmont, Kenwood serves as the idyllic model for a new Virginia license plate celebrating 400 years of farming in the Commonwealth; Monk Sanford's barns and silos are depicted on the new plate; and

WHEREAS, an outstanding ambassador for agriculture and a worthy Lancaster/Sunbelt Expo finalist, Monk Sanford not only manages a highly productive farm, but serves his community and fellow farmers as an active contributor and respected leader in numerous local and statewide agricultural organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly commend and congratulate Wallace Sanford, III, on being named the Lancaster/Sunbelt Expo's Virginia regional finalist for the Southeastern Farmer of the Year award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Wallace Sanford, III, as an expression of the General Assembly's best wishes for his continued success and admiration for his hard work and many accomplishments.

