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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 844

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Commending Chief Douglas Davis.

Patrons—Landes; Senator: Hanger

WHEREAS, Chief Douglas Davis, who has faithfully served the residents of the City of Waynesboro as police chief for seven years, will retire in March of 2011; and

WHEREAS, realizing the value of education and training for a law-enforcement career, Douglas Davis earned a bachelor's degree from Saint Leo College and a master's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Davis furthered his education at the 198th Session of the FBI National Academy and the 2nd Session of the Professional Executive Leadership School conducted by the Virginia Police Chiefs Foundation at the University of Richmond Jepson School of Leadership Studies; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Davis began his exemplary law-enforcement career with the Williamsburg Police Department as a patrol officer for three years before moving into investigations; and

WHEREAS, an able administrator and hardworking officer, Douglas Davis rose through the ranks becoming first lieutenant, then a major in charge of the Uniform Division for the Williamsburg Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 Douglas Davis became chief of the Waynesboro Police Department and continued the police department's tradition of working with local community groups to make Waynesboro a safe place in which to live and work; and

WHEREAS, a man of great integrity, Chief Davis forged strong relationships with other city departments, recruited outstanding officers to the department, and worked diligently to protect and serve the residents of Waynesboro; and

WHEREAS, Chief Davis has shared his expertise and decades of experience with a new generation of law-enforcement personnel as an adjunct professor at Mary Baldwin College and Blue Ridge Community College; and

WHEREAS, respected and admired by his colleagues, Chief Davis serves as the president of the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and formerly served as president of the Central Shenandoah Association of Chiefs of Police; and

WHEREAS, after years of exemplary service, Chief Davis will continue to influence law enforcement in the Commonwealth through his adjunct teaching and as a consultant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Chief Douglas Davis for his distinguished service as Chief of Police for the City of Waynesboro on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Chief Douglas Davis as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and gratitude for his dedication to public safety in the Commonwealth.

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