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### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 303

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*Celebrating the life of James L. Guffey.*

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WHEREAS, James L. Guffey of Midlothian, the former deputy director for enforcement at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation and admired educator, died on August 13, 2010; and

WHEREAS, James "Jim" Guffey brought a strong law-enforcement background to Virginia state government when he joined the Department of Commerce in 1978; he had proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps and also as a police officer; and

WHEREAS, Jim Guffey began his career with the Commonwealth as an investigator, then investigator-in-charge, before becoming deputy director for enforcement at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; and

WHEREAS, Jim Guffey served the citizens of the Commonwealth and the Board and Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation with great diligence, commitment, and integrity for over a quarter of a century; and

WHEREAS, committed to his field, Jim Guffey served as president of the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation for 1999-2000 and received the organization's Service Award in 1989 and Achievement Award in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Jim Guffey also generously shared his time and talents as a national certified investigator/inspector training teacher and was admired and respected for his knowledge and experience; and

WHEREAS, Jim Guffey retired from the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation in 2004 and went on to work at Bryant and Stratton College as an instructor of Criminal Justice Studies; and

WHEREAS, a natural leader in the classroom, Jim Guffey effectively taught a new generation of students about criminal justice, serving as a mentor and positive role model; and

WHEREAS, Jim Guffey served the Commonwealth with great distinction and his sense of humor and compassionate nature touched the lives of those around him; and

WHEREAS, Jim Guffey will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of 41 years, Linda; daughters, Amy and Linda, and their families; and his numerous other family members, friends, and admirers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly note with great sadness the loss of a respected citizen of the Commonwealth, James L. Guffey; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of James L. Guffey as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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