## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 319**

Celebrating the life of Wallace F. Hardaway.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 10, 2012 Agreed to by the Senate, February 16, 2012

WHEREAS, Wallace F. Hardaway, an admired member of the Blackstone community who faithfully served as a volunteer firefighter for 56 years, died on October 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Wallace Hardaway joined the Blackstone Volunteer Fire Department in 1952 and served in various officer positions throughout his career, including as fire chief from 1980 to 1984; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to the well-being of his fellow residents, Wallace Hardaway devoted countless hours to responding to calls, promoting fire safety education, and battling all types of fires; and

WHEREAS, Wallace Hardaway saw many changes to the department over the years and played a pivotal role in ensuring his fellow firefighters received ongoing training and upgrades to equipment; and

WHEREAS, an exemplary role model for youth, Wallace Hardaway coached Little League baseball for several years, teaching the importance of physical fitness and good sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, a vital member of the community, Wallace Hardaway leaves many loving family members and friends to cherish his memory; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of a dedicated firefighter, Wallace F. Hardaway; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Wallace F. Hardaway as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.