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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 484

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Celebrating the life of Bernard Henry Ferron.

Patrons—Poindexter, Byron and Merricks; Senators: Smith and Stanley

WHEREAS, Bernard Henry Ferron of Penhook, a mail carrier, an emergency services first responder, and a veteran of the armed services, died on February 22, 2012; and

WHEREAS, as a young man, Bernard Henry "Bernie" Ferron served in the United States Marine Corps; he proudly defended his country and was on active duty in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Ferron was a rural mail carrier; he worked out of the Moneta Post Office, and he was a familiar presence to residents of the back roads of Bedford County as he completed his rounds; and

WHEREAS, a strong believer in giving back to his community, Bernie Ferron was a life member of the Cool Branch Rescue Squad, which was founded in 1988; he served the residents of Franklin and Pittsylvania Counties for more than 20 years with diligence and care; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Ferron contributed countless hours to serving his friends and neighbors as a member of the Cool Branch Rescue Squad; he willingly provided emergency help to those in need, no matter the time of day or night; and

WHEREAS, Bernie Ferron will be greatly missed by his wife, Deborah; their children, James, Stacey, Bernard, Tiffany, Melissa, Joseph, and Angela, and their families; and by numerous other family members and friends; 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 public servant and valued contributor to his community, Bernard Henry Ferron; 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 Bernard Henry Ferron as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory and appreciation for his service to the Commonwealth.

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