

2013 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 930

Commending the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 21, 2013
Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2013

WHEREAS, the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office is commended for its diligent efforts to investigate a 32-year-old murder case; and

WHEREAS, on December 31, 1980, Brad Baker, a resident of The Plains, was found shot several times; and

WHEREAS, Brad Baker was airlifted to the Washington Hospital Center, where he died from his injuries on January 1, 1981; and

WHEREAS, the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office pursued several leads; however, no suspect was charged with the crime; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 newly elected Sheriff Charlie Ray Fox, Jr., asked detectives in the Criminal Investigation Division to review their unsolved murders; and

WHEREAS, the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office worked closely with Commonwealth's Attorney James Fisher, who impaneled a special grand jury to investigate the case; and

WHEREAS, testimony received before the special grand jury led to a confession, bringing long-awaited relief to family members of Brad Baker; and

WHEREAS, the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office demonstrated great perseverance, hard work, and commitment to justice as it investigated a murder that occurred more than three decades ago; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office for its work to investigate a 32-year-old murder case; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and admiration for the office's commitment to justice.

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