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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 405

Offered February 6, 2013

Commending Kevin Watson.

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WHEREAS, Kevin Watson, a deputy with the Grayson County Sheriff's Office, is commended for his heroic actions that saved the life of a fellow deputy; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2012, Kevin Watson responded with another deputy to a domestic disturbance call; and

WHEREAS, as the other deputy approached the front door, a person in the house opened fire and shot the other deputy in the abdomen; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Watson immediately returned fire, gaining precious seconds for himself and the injured deputy to take cover behind a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, in the midst of a chaotic and dangerous situation, Kevin Watson relied upon his training and instincts, protecting his fellow deputy and himself and sending a strong message to the shooter, who relinquished his firearm; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated officer who took an oath to protect and serve, Kevin Watson displayed extraordinary bravery and outstanding presence of mind to help another officer and stop the assailant; and

WHEREAS, the perilous situation Kevin Watson faced while responding to a call is a reminder of the dangers encountered daily by those who serve in law enforcement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Kevin Watson for his heroic actions that resulted in the saving of a fellow deputy's life; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Kevin Watson as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his quick thinking and courageous actions under fire.

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