2013 SESSION

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 457

Celebrating the life of Claude Dent, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2013 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 23, 2013

WHEREAS, Claude Dent, Jr., a loyal servant of the Commonwealth and a resident of the Town of Falmouth, died on February 17, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Claude Dent helped safeguard members of the United States Armed Forces as a firefighter at Fort Belvoir in Fairfax County and at Marine Corps Base Quantico; and

WHEREAS, Claude Dent devoted countless hours of service to the people of Stafford County as the chief of the Stafford County Volunteer Fire Department; he was admired as a dedicated, hardworking leader and a mentor to younger firefighters; and

WHEREAS, after retiring as an electrician, Claude Dent became a commercial crab fisherman; and

WHEREAS, as a member of many civic and service organizations, Claude Dent was deeply dedicated to strengthening the community; he was known as a caring friend and a wonderful neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Claude Dent will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife of 52 years, Nancy; children, Joan, John, and Jean, and their families; and many other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Claude Dent, Jr., a respected servant of the Commonwealth; and, be it

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