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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 307

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Commending Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Patrons—O'Bannon, Farrell, Massie, McClellan and McQuinn; Senators: McEachin and Stosch

WHEREAS, Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad proudly celebrated 60 years of service to the citizens of Henrico County in December 2013; and

WHEREAS, beginning operations from a church in 1953, Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad (TVRS) had one telephone, one unit, and 26 volunteers and responded to 335 calls for service in its first year; and

WHEREAS, over the last 60 years, TVRS has expanded to its current two locations at Horsepen Road and Pump Road, and has grown to a fleet of six ambulances, two Advanced Life Support first response units, a utility van, and a bariatric ambulance; and

WHEREAS, trained to respond in a multitude of circumstances, TVRS members have been a crucial part of the county's mass casualty team, vehicle extrication unit, critical stress management, and disaster management over the years; and

WHEREAS, with over 63,000 volunteer hours reported in 2013, TVRS is staffed by more than 120 professionally trained and certified volunteer emergency medical technicians, paramedics, and other support volunteers who expertly responded to 4,360 incidents last year alone; and

WHEREAS, TVRS has answered over 250,000 calls for service during its 60-year tenure at no cost to the patients, representing significant cost savings to the county and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, providing both basic and advanced life support coverage 24 hours a day, every day of the year, TVRS volunteers are pillars of the community and have provided an invaluable service to citizens of Henrico County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad on the occasion of its 60th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and gratitude for its decades of exceptional and selfless service to the Commonwealth.

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