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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 183

Offered March 3, 2014

*Commending Lieutenant Juan Torres.*

Patrons—Ebbin, Barker and Saslaw; Delegate: Krupicka

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Juan Torres began his law-enforcement career as a deputy with the Alexandria Sheriff's Office in 1989; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Lt. Torres joined the Alexandria Police Department, where he successfully completed the Field Training Officer Program and patrolled a local beat; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Torres served as a patrol officer; he responded to crimes and disturbances, conducted outreach in the Hispanic community, and received multiple commendations for public service; and

WHEREAS, as handler of a K-9 dog, Lt. Torres engaged in patrols and anti-narcotics operations, during which he responded to felony crimes, investigated buildings, and tracked fleeing suspects; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Torres supervised school resource officers and was responsible for training, advising, and protecting staff and students; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Torres strengthened emergency preparedness in schools by assisting in the drafting and implementation of the Active Shooter Directive and Shelter in Place Policy, in addition to coordinating the law-enforcement response at schools during the 2002 sniper incidents and September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Torres exhibited outstanding leadership as an assistant sector commander and patrol sergeant, directing his fellow officers, handling major incidents, and implementing crime reduction strategies; and

WHEREAS, in addition to supporting numerous public outreach and education initiatives, Lt. Torres also implemented a detective mentoring program and served as a youth mediator, vice president of the Commanders' Association, member of the Alexandria City Public Safety Work Group, and member of the Chief's Issues and Communication Group; and

WHEREAS, in December 2012, Lt. Torres took command of the Property, Financial, and Computer Crimes Unit, where he now supervises sergeants and detectives within the Criminal Investigations Section; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Lieutenant Juan Torres for his 25 years of distinguished service as a law-enforcement officer; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lieutenant Juan Torres as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and gratitude for his exemplary leadership and selfless dedication to safeguarding the citizens of Alexandria.

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