## **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 25**

Commending Stephen Christopher Suprun, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 30, 2014

WHEREAS, Stephen Christopher Suprun, Jr., a firefighter/paramedic trained in the Commonwealth of Virginia, was elected chair of the Emergency Medical Services for Children National Resource Center Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Suprun has served for more than 20 years in both volunteer and paid ranks as a firefighter/paramedic; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Suprun won Rookie of the Year honors as a new firefighter with the Annandale Volunteer Fire Department for his service in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Suprun was one of the first responders to the attack on the Pentagon on September 11, 2001; he also was a first responder during Hurricane Katrina in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Suprun has published nearly 50 articles on issues relating to emergency medical services and their delivery; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Suprun was an initial trustee of the Virginia Volunteer Firefighters' and Rescue Squad Workers' Service Award Fund Board; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Suprun is a national spokesman for the Never Forget Foundation, a nonprofit organization that connects school-age students with public safety responders who, through coaching and mentorship, show students how to prepare for unexpected occurrences and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, the hard work and dedication shown by Christopher Suprun will help to ensure a bright and healthy future for children in need of emergency medical attention, and his example will inspire those who work to prevent injury and illness in children and who respond to pediatric emergencies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Stephen Christopher Suprun, Jr., hereby be commended for his election as chair of the Emergency Medical Services for Children National Resource Center Advisory Council and for his continued leadership in all areas of emergency medical services; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Stephen Christopher Suprun, Jr., as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his leadership in the areas of emergency medical services and youth injury prevention.