## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5170**

Commending Virginia Crime Stoppers Association, Inc.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, September 18, 2014

WHEREAS, for 30 years, Virginia Crime Stoppers Association, Inc., a nonprofit organization in the City of Fairfax, has enabled local programs throughout the Commonwealth to prevent and solve crimes in their communities; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1984, Virginia Crime Stoppers Association provides support and technical assistance to the 58 Crime Stoppers, Crime Solvers, and Crime Line member agencies in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Crime Stoppers Association is ably led by a 14-member, all-volunteer board of directors comprising of law-enforcement officers, board members of local Crime Stoppers programs, and representatives of the media; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Crime Stoppers Association supports member agencies by providing newsletters, a website, a speaker's bureau, membership rosters, and sample operations documents and guidelines; and

WHEREAS, in addition to offering in-service classes at regional academies, Virginia Crime Stoppers Association hosts an annual three-day training conference, which highlights practical information such as fund-raising ideas, success stories, program troubleshooting, and tips for new programs; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Crime Stoppers Association worked to build stronger, safer communities by supporting legislation to protect the identities of anonymous tipsters and keep Crime Stoppers records confidential; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Virginia Crime Stoppers Association, Inc., on the occasion of its 30th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Virginia Crime Stoppers Association, Inc., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's work to promote and support Crime Stoppers programs in the Commonwealth.