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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5175**

Offered September 4, 2014

Celebrating the life of Robert Charles Baber.

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WHEREAS, Robert Charles Baber, the fire chief of Crozet Volunteer Fire Department who courageously dedicated his life to serving and safeguarding the members of the community, died on August 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Charlottesville, Robert Baber carried on a family tradition of service to the community as a fourth-generation firefighter; and

WHEREAS, Robert Baber built a legacy of excellence during his 30-year career with the Crozet Volunteer Fire Department and led the department as fire chief for seven years; he also served on the Western Albemarle Rescue Squad; and

WHEREAS, affectionately known as Bubba, Robert Baber was an active member of the community who built strong friendships with everyone he met; and

WHEREAS, admired as a selfless leader and an insightful mentor, Robert Baber was an exemplar of the professionalism, dedication to duty, and bravery displayed by firefighters throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, predeceased by his daughter, Elizabeth, Robert Baber will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 23 years, Tracey; son, Jacob, and his family; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Robert Charles Baber, a devoted servant to the Crozet community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Robert Charles Baber as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.