HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5175

Celebrating the life of Robert Charles Baber.

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

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

RÉSOLVED 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.