2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 514

Commending V. T. Crawford.

Agreed to by the Senate, June 23, 2014

WHEREAS, V. T. Crawford, a respected firefighter in the Smith Mountain Lake area, retires as the chief of the Scruggs Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad in 2014; and

WHEREAS, V. T. "Slim" Crawford moved to the Scruggs area in 1970 and helped form the Burnt Chimney Fire Department in 1972; to better serve the growing community, he helped charter the Scruggs Volunteer Fire Department in 1973; and

WHEREAS, with Slim Crawford's exceptional leadership and the generosity of the community, the Scruggs Volunteer Fire Department grew into one of the area's premier departments, using top-of-the-line equipment and techniques to safeguard the lives and property of Scruggs residents; and

WHEREAS, Slim Crawford has earned numerous awards and accolades from the community and the county throughout his distinguished career; and

WHEREAS, Slim Crawford is an active member of the community outside of the department; he owns Crawford Excavating and serves as a deacon at Westlake Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Slim Crawford is an exemplar of the professionalism and dedication to duty shown by firefighters and first responders throughout the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That V. T. Crawford hereby be commended on the occasion of his retirement as chief of the Scruggs Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to V. T. Crawford as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his service to the Smith Mountain Lake community and the Commonwealth.