HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 609

Celebrating the life of Bobby Wayne Elliott.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 23, 2015 Agreed to by the Senate, January 29, 2015

WHEREAS, Bobby Wayne Elliott of Fries, a longtime member of the Fries Volunteer Fire Department, a devoted husband and father, and a successful small business owner, died on August 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a native of Fries and a graduate of Galax High School, Bobby Elliott received an associate's degree in business; he also proudly served in the nation's military for six years as a member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, for two decades Bobby Elliott worked to help his neighbors and the community as a member of the Fries Volunteer Fire Department; throughout his 20 years of service, he was dedicated to fire prevention and to helping keep his neighbors and their valued belongings from harm; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Elliott, who was the owner of Elliott's Tax Service in Fries, was a man of deep faith; he belonged to Baywood Wesleyan Church in Galax where he was treasurer and also held other leadership positions; in addition, he was a member of The Gideons International Fries Camp; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Elliott will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by Darlene, his wife of 47 years; his sons, Gary and Jimmy, and their families; and by many 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 a devoted family man, entrepreneur, and dedicated volunteer firefighter, Bobby Wayne Elliott; 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 Bobby Wayne Elliott as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.