

2015 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 940

Commending Darryl C. Smith, Sr.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 25, 2015
Agreed to by the Senate, February 26, 2015

WHEREAS, Darryl C. Smith, Sr., a dedicated public servant who worked to support and inspire the youth of the Purcellville community, retires as Chief of the Purcellville Police Department in April 2015; and

WHEREAS, during his nine-year tenure as chief, Darryl Smith helped the Purcellville Police Department achieve and maintain state accreditation, ensuring high-quality service to members of the public; and

WHEREAS, overseeing a period of rapid growth for the town, Darryl Smith ably and efficiently managed the Purcellville Police Department; he worked to update the department's vehicles and equipment and implemented an innovative staffing model; and

WHEREAS, a hands-on leader, Darryl Smith took an active role in building trust between his officers and individuals, groups, and businesses in the community, and he was particularly passionate about connecting with local youths; and

WHEREAS, Darryl Smith instituted a series of youth engagement and outreach programs, including Homework Club, the Back to School Picnic, and the End of School Picnic; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Darryl Smith's efforts, the Purcellville Police Department received the Virginia Municipal League Achievement Award in 2007 and was named as a semifinalist for the Webber Seavey Award for Quality in Law Enforcement from the International Association of Chiefs of Police in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Darryl Smith is an exemplar of the professionalism, tireless devotion, and care for the community shown by law-enforcement officers throughout the Commonwealth; he leaves a legacy of excellence to his successor as police chief; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Darryl C. Smith, Sr., on the occasion of his retirement as police chief of Purcellville; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Darryl C. Smith, Sr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his leadership and service to the residents of Purcellville.

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