

2016 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 215

Commending David Wallace.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 29, 2016
Agreed to by the Senate, February 4, 2016

WHEREAS, while in the course of his duties, David Wallace, a respected law-enforcement officer with the Albemarle County Police Department, saved the life of an infant who was choking; and

WHEREAS, a veteran and a current member of the United States Army Reserve, David Wallace followed in his father's footsteps as a police officer and has served and protected members of the public with the Albemarle County Police Department for 19 years; and

WHEREAS, on the morning of December 29, 2015, David Wallace was responding to the scene of a vehicle wreck when he received a call regarding a child in distress; the infant had begun choking on milk, then stopped breathing; and

WHEREAS, David Wallace, who strives to be prepared for any scenario, raced to help the child; he routinely carries an automated external defibrillator in his patrol vehicle and is fully trained in first aid techniques, like all Albemarle County police officers; and

WHEREAS, under intense pressure, David Wallace relied on his training and followed proper procedure, performing back blows and chest compressions, until the child started breathing again; and

WHEREAS, David Wallace is an exemplar of the compassion, dedication to duty, and professionalism displayed by law-enforcement officers throughout the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend David Wallace for his role in saving the life of a choking infant in Albemarle County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to David Wallace as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his quick thinking and decisive actions.

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