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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 51

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Celebrating the life of Jesse Clingenpeel.

Patrons—Rasoul and Austin; Senator: Edwards

WHEREAS, Jesse Clingenpeel of Roanoke, a member of the Roanoke Fire-EMS Department, a proud veteran of the United States military, a man of faith, and a devoted husband and friend, died on November 5, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Clingenpeel, who had dreamed of serving his country since he was a young boy, enlisted in the United States Army when he was 17; he was stationed in Afghanistan where in 2009 he was gravely injured; and

WHEREAS, the recipient of the Purple Heart, Jesse Clingenpeel left active military service because of his combat injuries; after recovering from his wounds, he sought new opportunities to serve the community and joined the Roanoke Fire-EMS Department in 2013; and

WHEREAS, as part of his work for the City of Roanoke as a first responder, Jesse Clingenpeel started attending emergency medical technician classes and was planning to be a paramedic, thus continuing his life's goal to protect and serve; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Clingenpeel was a man of deep faith and a friend to all who knew him; he is remembered for his ability to light up a room with his presence and his friendly demeanor with all people; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Clingenpeel was a devoted husband who will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his wife, Amber, whom he married in 2013; his parents; and many other family members, friends, and fellow first responders; 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 Jesse Clingenpeel of Roanoke, a proud veteran who also served the community as a member of the Roanoke Fire-EMS Department, a man of great faith, and a devoted husband and friend; 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 Jesse Clingenpeel as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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