HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 377

Commending Brandon Alterio.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 10, 2017

WHEREAS, Brandon Alterio, an officer with the Salem Police Department, saved the lives of two individuals trapped by a fire on December 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, while on duty, Brandon Alterio responded to the scene of a structure fire at the Mount Regis Center, an addiction treatment facility in Salem, and helped staff and residents exit the building safely; and

WHEREAS, after determining that not all residents were accounted for, the Mount Regis Center staff provided Brandon Alterio with a room number for the missing resident; Brandon Alterio entered the building through a side entrance, located the resident, and escorted him out of the building; and

WHEREAS, during that time, Mount Regis Center staff determined that a second resident was also missing; at great personal risk, Brandon Alterio reentered the building, the front of which was now fully engulfed in flames, and conducted a room-to-room search; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Alterio discovered the resident still asleep and unaware of the fire and led him to safety; thanks to Brandon Alterio's actions, no one at the Mount Regis Center was injured, despite heavy damage to the building; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Alterio is an exemplar of the professionalism, dedication, and care for the community demonstrated by all of the members of the Salem Police Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Brandon Alterio hereby be commended for his courageous, life-saving actions in December 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Brandon Alterio for going above and beyond in service to the residents of Salem.