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Offered February 23, 2017

Commending Douglas Lynn Purdham.

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Patron—Gilbert

WHEREAS, Douglas Lynn Purdham, Mayor of the Town of Stanley, retired in 2016, concluding a distinguished career in public service that spanned more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Douglas "Doug" Lynn Purdham became Mayor of the Town of Stanley in 1992 after having served on the local planning commission and as a member of the Stanley Town Council; and

WHEREAS, Doug Purdham is proud of the growth of the community during his service as mayor, and he views improving the quality of life for Stanley's residents as one of his biggest accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, during Doug Purdham's tenure, the Town of Stanley expanded the Hawksbill Recreation Park and dedicated the William "Bill" Kibler Memorial Library, among other notable successes; and

WHEREAS, as mayor, Doug Purdham took pride in making decisions that were in the best interest of Stanley, and he took care of the town's needs while earning the respect of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Doug Purdham is grateful to the high school teacher who sparked his interest in community service many years ago and to the residents of Stanley and town employees for the tremendous support and love shown to him over his career; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Doug Purdham will remain active in the town's civic endeavors, but he will get to enjoy spending much more precious time with his family, especially his grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Douglas Lynn Purdham hereby be commended on his retirement as Mayor of the Town of Stanley; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Douglas Lynn Purdham as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his dedication to public service and his honorable career serving the citizens of Stanley.