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 Commending David A. Nice.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 169

Offered January 30, 2018

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WHEREAS, David A. Nice, a dedicated first responder who served as chief of the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department in Toano, retired in 2017 after 44 years of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, a respected business leader on the Virginia Peninsula, David Nice serves as owner and president of David A. Nice Builders, Inc., a commercial construction firm, and Nicewood Enterprises, Inc., a custom display fixture and millwork shop; and

WHEREAS, David Nice began his service with the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department in 1973; in addition to aiding countless families, individuals, and businesses as an emergency first responder, he also served as a leader and mentor for his fellow firefighters; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, David Nice's dedication and wide-ranging experience saw him named chief of the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department; in that role, he oversaw more than 100 firefighters and protected lives and property across a large swath of northwestern James City County; and

WHEREAS, under David Nice's able leadership, the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department met new standards of excellence in training and certifications; another key accomplishment of his tenure came in 2016, when the department moved into a new \$7.2 million, 21,000-square-foot fire station; and

WHEREAS, throughout his long and distinguished career, David Nice was steadfast in his commitment to protecting the residents of Toano and James City County; his leadership, integrity, and devotion to duty make him an exemplary role model for his fellow firefighters; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend David A. Nice on his years of service as a first responder on the occasion of his retirement as chief of the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to David A. Nice as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his long and meritorious service to the community.