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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 282

Offered February 15, 2018

*Commending Joe Samuel Frank.*

Patrons—Yancey, Mullin and Price; Senator: Deeds

WHEREAS, Joe Samuel Frank will conclude his tenure as the founding president of the Newport News Police Foundation on February 20, 2018, after 10 years of service to law-enforcement officers in Newport News; and

WHEREAS, Joe Frank recognized that law-enforcement officers play an important role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms guaranteed by the United States Constitution and in protecting the lives and property of the citizens of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, a former Mayor of Newport News, Joe Frank knew that law-enforcement agencies' budget constraints often leave little room for valuable community outreach programs to build stronger relationships between the community and the police department, investment in cutting-edge technology, or morale events such as officers' graduations or promotions; and

WHEREAS, Joe Frank worked to establish the Newport News Police Foundation to enhance the quality of life of all Newport News residents and increase public safety by enabling the Newport News Police Department to better serve the community and help the city successfully achieve those objectives; and

WHEREAS, guided by Joe Frank's visionary leadership, the Newport News Police Foundation raises, manages, invests, and distributes financial resources by funding, assisting, or undertaking programs and activities designed to support, enhance, and strengthen the services, organization, performance, competence, and professionalism of the Newport News Police Department and its officers and staff members; and

WHEREAS, during Joe Frank's tenure as president, the Newport News Police Foundation worked to raise more than \$2 million in funds and equipment donations, allowing law-enforcement officers to focus on making Newport News a safer place to live, work, play, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Joe Samuel Frank for his service to the City of Newport News, the Newport News Police Foundation, the Newport News Police Department, and the Commonwealth; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Joe Samuel Frank as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to law-enforcement officers and the community.

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