## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 81**

Commending Robert C. Wilcox.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 23, 2018

WHEREAS, Robert C. Wilcox, a dedicated and respected law-enforcement professional who served the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office as a lieutenant colonel, retired on January 5, 2018, following a distinguished career; and

WHEREAS, a New Baltimore native, Robert Wilcox graduated from Fauquier High School in 1982; he began his career in law enforcement in 1983, when he joined the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office as a dispatcher; and

WHEREAS, Robert Wilcox's diligence and calmness under pressure saw him rise quickly through the ranks at the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office; he was promoted to jailer in 1984 and later became a detective at the age of just 22; and

WHEREAS, a talented investigator, Robert Wilcox handled many challenging cases during his career and eventually worked under five different sheriffs; in June 2009, he was promoted to major of operations and placed in charge of the Patrol Division, Criminal Investigations Division, Communications Division, and the school resource officers; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2016, Robert Wilcox was promoted to lieutenant colonel with the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office and became the agency's chief deputy, a role he held until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Robert Wilcox participated in numerous leadership training and educational courses with the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office and brought his wide-ranging experience to duties in vice and narcotics, street crimes, major crimes, and internal affairs; he was also a founding member of the Sheriff's Office Emergency Response Team; and

WHEREAS, during his 34-year career with the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office, Robert Wilcox maintained the highest standards of professionalism and integrity, winning the admiration of both his fellow law-enforcement personnel and the residents he served; and

WHEREAS, in his well-deserved retirement, Robert Wilcox plans to spend time with his wife and two daughters and enjoy hunting, fishing, and kayaking; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Robert C. Wilcox hereby be commended for his valuable service to the community on the occasion of his retirement as a lieutenant colonel with the Fauquier County Sheriff's Office; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Robert C. Wilcox as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his long commitment to serving and protecting the residents of Fauquier County.