## **2019 SESSION**

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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1026**

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending Eugene C. Wingfield.

Patrons-Fariss, Byron and Garrett; Senators: Newman and Peake

6 WHEREAS, Eugene C. Wingfield will retire as Clerk of the Lynchburg Circuit Court on December7 31, 2019; and

8 WHEREAS, Eugene Wingfield, a Lynchburg native, began his career as a member of the Lynchburg
9 Police Department, joining as police cadet in 1974 and rising to the rank of captain before retiring in
10 2006; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the Lynchburg Police Department, where he worked for many
years as an investigator, Eugene Wingfield joined the City of Lynchburg Commonwealth Attorney's
Office in a similar role until his election as Clerk of the Lynchburg Circuit Court in 2010; and

WHEREAS, during his time as Clerk of the Lynchburg Circuit Court, Eugene Wingfield brought positive change to the Office of the Clerk of the Court, adopting and implementing technology to improve efficiency and accuracy of records and access to records, digitizing records, preserving historical records, including documents and letters signed by Thomas Jefferson and Lynchburg founder John Lynch, and land, marriage, and other records dating back to 1805, and installing a new security system in the Lynchburg Courthouse to ensure the safety of employees and visitors; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his career, Eugene Wingfield has been honored with awards and
 commendations including Police Officer of the Year, the Lynchburg Police Department Meritorious
 Service Award, three Lynchburg Police Department Honorable Service awards, and many others; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his more than 45 years of service as a law-enforcement officer and Clerk
of the Circuit Court, Eugene Wingfield has served his community as a member of the Exchange Club of
Lynchburg, participating on committees for the Soldier's Healing Field Flag Memorial and the annual
Pancake Jamboree and as an event coordinator for a World War II veterans' trip to Washington, D.C., as
well as participating in projects through Lynchburg Day of Caring, including projects to benefit the
Presbyterian Home and Habitat for Humanity; now, therefore, be it

29 RÉSOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby
 30 commend Eugene C. Wingfield on the occasion of his retirement as Clerk of the Lynchburg Circuit
 31 Court; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution
 for presentation to Eugene C. Wingfield as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his
 service to the Lynchburg community.

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