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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1027

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending Stanley S. Clarke.

Patrons—Hodges; Senator: McDougle

WHEREAS, Stanley S. Clarke, a dedicated law-enforcement officer, retired as sheriff of Essex County on July 1, 2018, after 36 years of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Clarke, a native of Essex County and a graduate of Essex County High School, earned an associate's degree in police science from Rappahannock Community College and a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Columbia College; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Clarke served the people of Essex County as a member of the Sheriff's Office for 36 years; he was first elected to serve as sheriff in 1996, a position he held for over 22 years; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong learner dedicated to acquiring new skills and abilities in service to the community, Stanley Clarke pursued additional education and training, completing programs offered by the Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy, the National Sheriffs' Institute, the Virginia Forensic Science Academy, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his service with the Essex County Sheriff's Office, Stanley Clarke has been an active member of the Essex County community, serving as a trustee and deacon of Zion Baptist Church, a member of the board of directors of Essex Churches Together, a member of the Tappahannock Rotary Club, chairman of the board of directors of Bay Aging, and a member of the Rappahannock Community College Citizen's Advisory Committee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Stanley S. Clarke on the occasion of his retirement as sheriff of Essex County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Stanley S. Clarke as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his dedicated service on the occasion of his retirement as sheriff of Essex County.

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