HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 765

Commending the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2019 Agreed to by the Senate, February 20, 2019

WHEREAS, for 25 years, the dedicated and highly trained members of the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company have safeguarded the lives and property of Culpeper County residents, ably responding to fires, medical emergencies, and other crisis situations; and

WHEREAS, the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company traces its roots to 1993, when a group of concerned citizens circulated a petition to determine community interest in starting a local fire

company; and

WHEREAS, the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company was officially chartered in April 1994 and placed its first fire and emergency medical services vehicle into service in January 1995; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company received the prestigious Outstanding Emergency Medical Services Agency award from the Governor, an especially admirable feat for a small, community-supported organization; the company received the award for using donated equipment and limited resources to turn the one-room, steel building it has inhabited since its founding into an impressive EMS-provider facility; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company established the Technical Large Animal Rescue Team, the only all-volunteer large animal rescue team in Virginia, responding to calls across the Commonwealth and performing rescues of large animals that are trapped or encumbered;

WHEREAS, due to the unparalleled dedication of its volunteers, the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company has responded to every single emergency medical service and fire call in the past seven years, not missing a single call for assistance from the citizens in their community and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company are an outstanding company of tireless and dedicated professionals who proudly protect the quality of life and the social, economic, and environmental infrastructure of northern Culpeper County; and

WHEREAS, the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company will commemorate its 25th anniversary at its annual banquet on October 5, 2019; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company on the occasion of its 25th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its exceptional service to the residents of Culpeper County and the Commonwealth.