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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 427**

Offered February 21, 2019

Commending Lieutenant Karl P. Martin.

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WHEREAS, Lieutenant Karl P. Martin has been nominated for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's 2019 Guy Bradley Award; and

WHEREAS, the Guy Bradley Award recognizes the lifetime achievements of individuals for their commitment and performance in the field of wildlife law enforcement and is awarded to one state and one federal law-enforcement officer who demonstrate outstanding leadership, dedication, implementation, knowledge, and action in protecting the nation's natural resources and advancing the cause of wildlife conservation; and

WHEREAS, Karl Martin began his career with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries in 1972, and rapidly rose to the rank of lieutenant and District 21 supervisor as a result of his hard work, dedication, integrity, and devotion to the mission of protecting the Commonwealth's natural resources; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his 47 years of service to the Commonwealth, Karl Martin has worked tirelessly to improve the ability of conservation police officers to enforce the laws and protect natural resources and the residents of Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, Karl Martin mentored and supervised many younger officers throughout his career and helped support legislation to give full law-enforcement authority to his fellow conservation police officers; and

WHEREAS, Karl Martin has received numerous other awards and accolades, including the prestigious Virginia Governor's Career Achievement Award in 2011; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Lieutenant Karl P. Martin hereby be commended on the occasion of his nomination for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's 2019 Guy Bradley Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lieutenant Karl P. Martin as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his dedication to protecting the natural resources of the Commonwealth.