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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 323

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Commending Jay E. Ferriss.

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WHEREAS, Jay E. Ferriss served his country with dedication and distinction as a United States Marine for two decades, rising through the ranks to join the elite Marine Helicopter Squadron One, which is responsible for transporting the President of the United States and other high-ranking officials; and

WHEREAS, Jay Ferriss graduated from Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island in 1981 and subsequently held an array of aviation logistics and supply system analyst positions and served as a drill instructor at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Jay Ferriss was selected as a warrant officer and served as the aviation supply officer for Marine Aircraft Group 24; he was assigned to VMM-265 aboard the USS *Tripoli* and USS *Tarawa* and deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, and humanitarian relief efforts in Bangladesh; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Hawaii Pacific University in 1992, Jay Ferriss served as the repairable management officer and project officer for the AV-8B Harrier in Marine Aircraft Group 32 and the repairable management, supply management, and automated data processing officer for Marine Aircraft Group 14 and Marine Aircraft Group 29; and

WHEREAS, Jay Ferriss was promoted to captain in 1994, and in 1997 became the aviation supply officer for Marine Helicopter Squadron One, which is headquartered at Marine Corps Air Facility Quantico and provides logistical support to the White House Military Office; he served in this capacity until his retirement from active duty in 2001; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Jay Ferriss earned numerous awards and accolades, including the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, and the Navy Achievement Medal, among many others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Jay E. Ferriss for his distinguished military service; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jay E. Ferriss as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his service to the Commonwealth and the nation.

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