SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 371

Celebrating the life of James William Bryan, Jr.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 14, 2019 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 22, 2019

WHEREAS, James William Bryan, Jr., the longtime sheriff of Bath County and a highly admired member of the Hot Springs community, died on November 3, 2018; and

WHEREAS, James "Jimmy" Bryan was born and raised in Bath County and served his country as a member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Bryan worked at the historic Omni Homestead Resort in the transportation department before becoming a law-enforcement officer; he was sheriff of Bath County and served the community for 15 years until his well-earned retirement; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Bryan had more recently worked as a security guard at Bath Community Hospital, and he shared his faith with others as a member of Life Line Ministries; and

WHEREAS, an avid outdoorsman, Jimmy Bryan was a cofounder of the Warm Springs Mountain Hunt Club, and he found camaraderie with his fellow motorcycle riders as a member of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association and the Retreads Motorcycle Club; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Bryan will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his devoted wife of 54 years, Frances; his children, Crystal, Richard, and Jay, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of James William Bryan, Jr., a respected law-enforcement officer in Hot Springs; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of James William Bryan, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.