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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 141

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending Michael L. Wade.

Patrons—Dunnavant, Barker, Black, Boysko, Carrico, Chafin, Chase, Cosgrove, Dance, Deeds, DeSteph, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McDougle, McPike, Newman, Norment, Obenshain, Peake, Petersen, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Sturtevant, Suetterlein, Surovell, Vogel and Wagner

WHEREAS, Michael L. Wade, Henrico County Sheriff, will retire in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Michael "Mike" Wade has served as the sheriff of Henrico County since 2000, overseeing two different jails, and is credited with implementing one of the nation's best substance abuse treatment programs for inmates; and

WHEREAS, Mike Wade is a native of the Richmond area; he graduated from Benedictine High School before attending Virginia Commonwealth University, where he earned a bachelor's and later a master's degree; and

WHEREAS, Mike Wade commands over 400 sworn civilians and contract employees; he is a career law-enforcement officer who served for 22 years as a member of the Henrico County Police Division; and

WHEREAS, Mike Wade began his career in law enforcement as a uniformed police officer in 1977 with the Henrico County Police Division where he investigated crimes against property, and then later served in the Criminal Intelligence Section; he was also assigned as the Commonwealth's Attorney Investigator Liaison during his tenure; and

WHEREAS, Mike Wade has served as National President of the American Correctional Association and received numerous local, regional, state, and national awards for innovative and creative approaches toward inmate rehabilitation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Michael L. Wade, Henrico County Sheriff, hereby be commended on his lifetime of public service as a law-enforcement officer; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Michael L. Wade as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his service to Henrico County and the law-enforcement community.