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Commending the Virginia Beach Police Department, Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office, Virginia State Police, Virginia Beach Fire Department, Virginia Beach Department of EMS, the Volunteer Rescue Squads of Virginia Beach, and other state and federal agencies that responded to the tragedy of May 31, 2019, at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center.

Patrons—DeSteph, Barker, Black, Boysko, Carrico, Chafin, Chase, Cosgrove, Dance, Deeds, Dunnavant, 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 and Vogel

WHEREAS, in the minutes, hours, days, and weeks following the calamitous shooting at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center, local, regional, state, and federal public safety and rescue agencies responded to the immediate and long-term needs of the Virginia Beach community; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beach Police Department, the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office, and the Virginia State Police played critical and valuable roles in the immediate response to the tragedy; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beach Department of EMS, the Volunteer Rescue Squads of Virginia Beach, and the Virginia Beach Fire Department provided essential care to those who were wounded or affected by the incident; and

WHEREAS, in addition, members of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and the Federal Bureau of Investigation were involved in a variety of capacities in the aftermath of the shooting; and

WHEREAS, the courageous individuals who responded to the shooting did so without hesitation and with no concern for their own personal safety; and

WHEREAS, acting with professionalism, determination, and compassion, personnel from the many agencies and organizations provided emergency medical assistance, transportation services, security and logistical support, and comfort to a community that was reeling from unimaginable events; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That the Virginia Beach Police Department, Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office, Virginia State Police, Virginia Beach Fire Department, Virginia Beach Department of EMS, the Volunteer Rescue Squads of Virginia Beach, and other state and federal agencies that responded to the tragedy of May 31, 2019, at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center hereby be commended for their meritorious service; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare copies of this resolution for presentation to all of the above-named organizations and agencies as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's enormous gratitude for their actions in the midst of a crisis.

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