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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5

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Commending the Norfolk Police Department.

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WHEREAS, the Norfolk Police Department earned national accolades in 2019 by winning the grand prize on the television special *Lip Sync to the Rescue*; and

WHEREAS, broadcast live on CBS, *Lip Sync to the Rescue* featured videos of public safety officers from around the nation lip-synching to popular songs in a one-hour countdown special; the Norfolk Police Department's video was selected from a pool of approximately 1,000 applicants; and

WHEREAS, the Norfolk Police Department originally posted its video on Facebook in July 2018; dozens of law-enforcement officers, first responders, and city staff members participated in the nearly five-minute video set to "Uptown Funk" by Mark Ronson and Bruno Mars; and

WHEREAS, members of the Norfolk Police Department used borrowed video equipment and a cell phone to shoot the one-take video, which has received more than 80 million views; and

WHEREAS, the Norfolk Police Department was one of 30 agencies to reach the live show and triumphed over the Seattle Police Department in the final round of voting to claim the \$100,000 grand prize; and

WHEREAS, this unique form of public outreach helped the Norfolk Police Department build trust and goodwill among the members of the community and fostered *esprit de corps* between the hardworking men and women of the department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Norfolk Police Department on winning the grand prize on *Lip Sync to the Rescue*; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Norfolk Police Department as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the department's achievement.

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