

2020 SESSION

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17

Commending James McAllister.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 3, 2020

WHEREAS, James McAllister, chief of the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department, retired on February 8, 2020, after nearly 29 years of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, James McAllister joined the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department in June 1991 and served in every operational capacity over the course of his long career; and

WHEREAS, James McAllister was promoted to chief in 2009 and skillfully managed the department's three stations and hundreds of volunteer and professional employees for more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, during James McAllister's tenure as chief, the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department responded to thousands of calls for service related to fire suppression, medical emergencies, search and rescue operations, and other crisis situations; and

WHEREAS, James McAllister worked to ensure that the members of the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department had the best tools, techniques, and training to safeguard the lives and property of local residents; and

WHEREAS, James McAllister also offered his leadership to Prince William County through his membership on numerous committees and task forces, as well as the Prince William County Fire and Rescue Association; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That James McAllister hereby be commended on the occasion of his retirement as chief of the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to James McAllister as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his contributions to the Prince William County community and best wishes on his well-earned retirement.

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