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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 588

Offered January 15, 2021

Celebrating the life of Dave Andrew Weeks, Jr.

Patrons—Walker; Senators: Newman and Peake

WHEREAS, Dave Andrew Weeks, Jr., a distinguished law-enforcement officer, honorable veteran, and active and beloved member of the communities of Forest and Lynchburg, died on August 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Altavista High School in 1958, Dave Weeks pursued a career in law enforcement, earning an associate's degree from Central Virginia Community College, graduating from the Juvenile Officers Institute at the University of Minnesota, and completing coursework at the University of Louisville and the former Lynchburg College; years later, he graduated from the FBI Academy; and

WHEREAS, Dave Weeks joined the Lynchburg Police Department in 1958 but was drafted into the United States Army shortly thereafter; he served his country with courage and valor in Korea, where he was a member of the military police and attained the rank of E-5 which is a sergeant; and

WHEREAS, after concluding his military service, Dave Weeks resumed his position with the Lynchburg Police Department, working tirelessly to protect and serve his community until he retired from the force in 1992 at the rank of deputy chief; and

WHEREAS, beginning that same year, Dave Weeks supported federal law enforcement as a special deputy with the United States Marshals Service, retiring in 2001 as the lead community service officer in the Lynchburg division; and

WHEREAS, with a profound sense of dedication to his fellow law-enforcement professionals and their mission, Dave Weeks served as president of the Virginia chapter of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy Associates and was a charter member and chaplain of the Fraternal Order of Police; and

WHEREAS, a natural and gifted leader who cared deeply for his community, Dave Weeks presided over local chapters of Optimist International and Civitan International and was a longstanding chairman of the Lynchburg Municipal Employees Federal Credit Union and a board member of the Beacon Credit Union; and

WHEREAS, Dave Weeks served others through his involvement in myriad fraternal organizations over more than a half-century, including Marshall Lodge No. 39 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Lynchburg Shrine Club, and the Roanoke Valley Shrine Club; and

WHEREAS, guided throughout his life by his resolute and abiding faith, Dave Weeks enjoyed worship and fellowship with his community at West Lynchburg Baptist Church for more than 50 years, serving as a deacon and trustee; and

WHEREAS, preceded in death by his loving wife of 52 years, Rebecca, Dave Weeks will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by his children, Debra, Karla, and Karen, and their families, and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Dave Andrew Weeks, Jr., who made a lasting impression on countless lives in Forest and Lynchburg through his work with the Lynchburg Police Department and various local organizations; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Dave Andrew Weeks, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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