## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 679**

Celebrating the life of Perry Anthony Hodge.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021 Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

WHEREAS, Perry Anthony Hodge, a hardworking law-enforcement officer in Pulaski County and a dedicated husband, father, and grandfather, died on January 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, for 15 years, Perry Hodge served the community as a deputy with the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office, rising to the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Perry Hodge was responsible for the oversight of all Pulaski County school resource officers; and

WHEREAS, as trusted civil servant and valued partner of Pulaski County Public Schools, Perry Hodge was a valued mentor and strong advocate for thousands of students in the county; and

WHEREAS, Perry Hodge was known as a dependable ally for teachers, an incredible resource for administrators, and a genuine friend to all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, admired for his professionalism and ability to make young people feel protected, cared for, and respected, Perry Hodge could often be found waving to students when they arrived each morning, giving high fives in the hallway, and helping his assigned schools in any way they needed; and

WHEREAS, Perry Hodge was preceded in death by his father, Jackie Bowman Hodge; his brother-in-law, Shane Simmons; and his grandparents; and

WHEREAS, Perry Hodge will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Lisa Hodge; his daughters and son-in-law, Melissa Quesenberry and Katie and Justin Noonkester; his grandchildren, Briggs, Cameron, Branson, Maddy, Mason, and Harper; his mother, Francis Harless Hodge; his sisters and brother-in-law, Tina and Gene Duncan and Jacqueline Simmons; his nephew, Jeremy Chadwick; his uncle, Wayne "Pickle" Harless; his aunt, Lois Blevins; 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 Perry Anthony Hodge, a respected law-enforcement officer and beloved member of the Pulaski County community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Perry Anthony Hodge's wife, Lisa; mother, Francis Harless Hodge; and daughters, Melissa Quesenberry and Katie Noonkester as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.