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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 738

Offered February 2, 2021

Celebrating the life of Javier J. Smith.

Patrons—McQuinn, Adams, D.M., Bagby, Carr, Convirs-Fowler, Delaney, Heretick, Hope, Rasoul, Reid, Scott, Simonds and Ware; Senator: Spruill

WHEREAS, Javier J. Smith, the former sheriff of Charles City County, died on October 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Javier Smith served the Charles City County community as a sheriff's deputy for 11 years before his election as sheriff; he led the Charles City County Sheriff's Office with dedication and distinction from 2008 to 2016; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as sheriff, Javier Smith worked with the New Kent County Sheriff's Office and several federal agencies to successfully apprehend a dangerous fugitive who had fled from Charles City County and kidnapped a woman in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Javier Smith has more recently served as a deputy in the court services department of the Chesterfield County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep faith, Javier Smith was active in his church congregation and generously volunteered his time and leadership to support many community organizations; and

WHEREAS, Javier Smith will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 27 years, Holly; his children, Shane and Lyric; 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 Javier J. Smith, respected law-enforcement officer in Charles City County; 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 Javier J. Smith as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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