HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 733

Commending Donald M. Dinse.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2023 Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2023

WHEREAS, Donald M. Dinse, an honorable veteran and longtime firefighter, is retiring from his role as president and service representative of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 2498 in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Donald "Don" M. Dinse served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Navy for five years, retiring at the rank of radioman (E-5); and

WHEREAS, from 1990 to 2015, Don Dinse worked tirelessly to protect life and property in York County as a firefighter and emergency medical technician (EMT) with York County Fire & Life Safety; and

WHEREAS, for the past 33 years, Don Dinse has been a member of the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 2498, representing professional firefighters, EMTs, paramedics, and 911 dispatchers, in the Cities of Williamsburg and Poquoson and the Counties of York and James City; and

WHEREAS, as service representative and president of the IAFF Local 2498, Don Dinse has advocated passionately at every level of government on behalf of the members of his union and their families, addressing public safety issues and other matters impacting the lives of firefighters and other emergency personnel; and

WHEREAS, Don Dinse has pursued his mission with great dedication and sense of purpose, securing better working conditions for the emergency response professionals that are integral to the safety of the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Donald M. Dinse on the occasion of his retirement as president and service representative of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 2498; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Člerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Donald M. Dinse as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth and best wishes in his future endeavors.