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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 455

Offered February 23, 2023

Commending Walter Cunningham.

Patrons—LaRock, Wiley, Avoli, Ballard, Batten, Bloxom, Brewer, Byron, Campbell, E.H., Campbell, J.L., Cherry, Cordoza, Coyner, Davis, Durant, Fariss, Fowler, Freitas, Gooditis, Greenhalgh, Head, Hodges, Kilgore, Knight, Leftwich, Lopez, March, McGuire, McNamara, Morefield, Mundon King, O'Quinn, Orrock, Rasoul, Robinson, Scott, P.A., Tata, Taylor, Wachsmann, Walker, Wampler, Ware, Webert, Williams, Wright and Wyatt

WHEREAS, Walter Cunningham, an esteemed firefighter, emergency medical technician, and safety instructor, has served the Frederick community for 50 years as a member of Greenwood Volunteer Fire and Rescue; and

WHEREAS, Walter "Walt" Cunningham joined what was then the Greenwood Volunteer Fire Company in 1973, shortly after the organization was founded; he would rise through the ranks while helping the company develop its standard operating procedures and training programs and later serve as both company fire chief and president for several years; and

WHEREAS, Walt Cunningham's work with Greenwood Volunteer Fire and Rescue has brought him into the community, both as a public education director leading fire safety classes at local schools and as a chair of several fundraising committees helping the department provide world-class firefighting services at little cost to taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, Walt Cunningham has served as president of the Frederick County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association and as a member of the Winchester-Frederick County Metropolitan Planning Organization as a part of its Citizens Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Walt Cunningham was an original member of the Winchester-Frederick County Community Emergency Response Team, educating community members in disaster preparedness and basic disaster response skills; and

WHEREAS, Walt Cunningham's commitment to the well-being of residents of Frederick County extends to his service as a certified lay speaker at Greenwood United Methodist Church, where he offers his life of service as inspiration to the entire church community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Walter Cunningham hereby be commended for his legacy of service as a member of Greenwood Volunteer Fire and Rescue on the occasion of his 50th anniversary with the organization; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Walter Cunningham as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.