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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 721

Offered February 21, 1995

Designating October 8, 1995, and the second Sunday in October in each succeeding year, as Fallen Firefighters' Day in Virginia.

Patrons—Miller, Abbitt, Albo, Almand, Armstrong, Baker, Ball, Barlow, Behm, Bennett, Bloxom, Brickley, Callahan, Cantor, Christian, Clement, Cohen, Connally, Cooper, Copeland, Councill, Cox, Cranwell, Crittenden, Croshaw, Crouch, Cunningham, Darner, Davies, DeBoer, Deeds, Diamonstein, Dickinson, Dillard, Dudley, Fisher, Forbes, Giesen, Grayson, Griffith, Guest, Hall, Hamilton, Hargrove, Harris, Heilig, Howell, Hull, Ingram, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, D.C., Jones, J.C., Katzen, Keating, Kidd, Kilgore, Marshall, May, Mayer, McClure, McDonnell, Melvin, Mims, Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Nelms, Newman, Nixon, O'Brien, Orrock, Parrish, Phillips, Plum, Puller, Purkey, Putney, Reid, Reynolds, Rhodes, Robinson, Rollison, Ruff, Scott, Sherwood, Shuler, Spruill, Stump, Tata, Thomas, Van Landingham, Van Yahres, Wagner, Wardrup, Watkins, Way, Wilkins and Woodrum; Senator: Miller, K.G.

Consent to introduce

Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, Virginia's firefighters, courageous and dedicated men and women, give unselfishly of themselves to assist their fellow Virginians in times of great need; and

WHEREAS, their duties often place firefighters in harm's way, and, tragically, some of them lose their lives in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, courage, sacrifice, and an extraordinary sense of duty characterize firefighters throughout the Commonwealth and the nation; and

WHEREAS, it is entirely appropriate that those firefighters who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their fellow citizens be recognized and honored; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby designate October 8, 1995, and the second Sunday in October in each succeeding year, as Fallen Firefighters' Day in Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the General Assembly urge the citizens of Virginia to honor Virginia's fallen firefighters with appropriate observances and ceremonies.