## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 841**

Commending Ronald L. "Ronnie" Slough.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 7, 1999 Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 1999

WHEREAS, Ronald L. "Ronnie" Slough has for nearly three decades provided the citizens of Buena Vista, Rockbridge County, and the Commonwealth with extraordinary rescue squad and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Buena Vista Rescue Squad since 1970, Ronnie Slough has held most of the offices in that organization, serving 17 years as captain and four years as president, and has chaired countless squad committees, including membership, fund-raising, and bylaws; and

WHEREAS, Ronnie Slough has also been active at the state level, holding a wide variety of offices and committee chairmanships with the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads (VAVRS); and

WHEREAS, president of the VAVRS in 1995 and 1996, Ronnie Slough has also served the association as vice president, training officer, secretary, and District 1 vice president; and

WHEREAS, a VAVRS instructor, Ronnie Slough has taught courses in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, search and rescue, emergency vehicle operation, farm machinery extrication, and vehicle extrication; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Governor's Task Force on Disaster Planning for the State of Virginia for two years, Ronnie Slough assisted in the coordination and publication of the State-Wide Disaster Manual, for which he received a Governor's Task Force Award; and

WHEREAS, Ronnie Slough has willingly and consistently shared his knowledge and expertise in such areas as first aid, emergency medical care, and disaster planning with local citizens, civic groups, other rescue squads, and state and local officials; and

WHEREAS, Ronnie Slough's dedication to emergency medical care and disaster planning is truly exemplary, evident in his life membership in the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads and his election to its Hall of Fame in 1997; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Ronald L. "Ronnie" Slough for his outstanding dedication to the safety and welfare of his fellow citizens; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Ronald L. "Ronnie" Slough as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation for his numerous and ongoing contributions to the Buena Vista Rescue Squad, the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads, and the many Virginians who have benefited from his dedication and expertise.