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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 301

Offered January 25, 2002

*On the death of Lieutenant Colonel Gary F. Smith.*

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WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, terrorists launched a violent attack on the United States, causing great destruction and horrible human suffering in New York, Virginia, and Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the attack had a devastating effect in Virginia, home of the Pentagon and of many of the personnel, military and civilian, who served there; and

WHEREAS, among the victims of the Pentagon attack was Gary F. Smith of Fairfax, a retired Army lieutenant colonel and the chief of Army Retirement Services; and

WHEREAS, during his 23 years in the United States Army, Gary F. Smith served in Italy, the Netherlands, and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and earned a Soldier's Medal for heroism while serving in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, in 1992 Lieutenant Colonel Smith became head of the Army Retirement Services; and

WHEREAS, a resident of the Mount Vernon section of Fairfax County since 1984, Gary F. Smith was married and the father of four daughters and was well-known in the community for his skill and dedication as a coach of youth basketball and soccer; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly note with sadness the loss of Lieutenant Colonel Gary F. Smith, a victim of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the United States; 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 Lieutenant Colonel Gary F. Smith as an expression of the heartfelt condolences of the General Assembly of Virginia.

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