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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5239

Offered September 17, 2014

Commending James D. Spurlock, Jr.

Patrons—Minchew, Greason and LaRock; Senators: Favola and Wexton

WHEREAS, James D. Spurlock, Jr., a committed law-enforcement officer with the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office, earned the Deputy Sheriff of the Year award at the 81st Annual Conference of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association in September 2014; and

WHEREAS, a distinguished 24-year veteran of law enforcement, James Spurlock has worked for the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office for seven years and has risen to the rank of deputy first class; and

WHEREAS, after realizing that many Internet crimes against children were going unreported, James Spurlock took the initiative to develop an educational program, Internet Safety: What Parents Need to Know, which provides parents with techniques to help keep their children safe online; and

WHEREAS, after the Loudoun County Sheriff's office implemented James Spurlock's program in 2012, the department's Internet Crimes against Children division reported significant, positive results, and similar programs have been implemented throughout the Commonwealth and the United States; and

WHEREAS, through his passion and hard work, James Spurlock has safeguarded countless children in and around Loudoun County; he is an exemplar of the professionalism, dedication, and care for the community displayed by law-enforcement officers throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, James Spurlock has earned many other awards and accolades for his service to the Commonwealth, including the National Association of Police Organizations Top Cop award in May 2014 and the Virginia Veterans of Foreign Wars Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award in 2009; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend James D. Spurlock, Jr., on receiving the 2014 Deputy Sheriff of the Year award from the Virginia Sheriffs' Association; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to James D. Spurlock, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his tireless dedication to protecting and serving members of the community.

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