HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 145

Commending Alfonzo M. Miller.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 15, 2016 Agreed to by the Senate, January 21, 2016

WHEREAS, Alfonzo M. Miller, a dedicated law-enforcement officer who inspired countless local youths through his outreach to schools in the City of Lexington, retired in 2015 as deputy chief of the Lexington Police Department; and

WHEREAS, a native of Rockbridge County, Alfonzo M. "Bucky" Miller graduated from Virginia State University, where he decided to serve the community in law enforcement after going on a ride-along with a police officer and fellow student; and

WHEREAS, Bucky Miller joined the Lexington Police Department in 1985 as a patrol officer, rising through the ranks to become an investigator, sergeant, lieutenant, captain, and deputy chief; and

WHEREAS, throughout his 30-year career in law enforcement, Bucky Miller worked to mentor the youth of the community; he was a fixture at Lylburn Downing Middle School, where he often greeted students in the morning, ate lunch, helped host school dances, and attended sporting events; and

WHEREAS, Bucky Miller also worked at and supported numerous community events, including the Fourth of July Bike Parade, Downtown Trick or Treat, Candlelight Processional, and Jingle Bell Run, and he was well-known and admired by many community members; and

WHEREAS, Bucky Miller was honored as the 2014 People's Choice Award Citizen of the Year, and the City of Lexington named June 10, 2015, Captain Bucky Miller Appreciation Day at a special ceremony at Lylburn Downing Middle School; and

WHEREAS, after his well-earned retirement from law enforcement, Bucky Miller plans to seek new opportunities to serve the community and will help coach the Lylburn Downing Middle School boys' basketball team; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Alfonzo M. Miller on the occasion of his retirement as deputy chief of the Lexington Police Department; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Alfonzo M. Miller as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his work to protect and serve the Lexington community and outreach to local youth.