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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 57

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Commending Philip Alan Broadfoot.

Patrons—Marshall and Adams, L.R.

WHEREAS, Philip Alan Broadfoot, a respected leader in the Danville community, retired as chief of the Danville Police Department after decades of service as a law-enforcement officer in Central and Southside Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Philip Broadfoot holds an associate's degree from Blue Ridge Community College and bachelor's and master's degrees from James Madison University; he also attended the FBI National Academy and conducted postgraduate work at the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, beginning his career in law enforcement with the Waynesboro Police Department in 1973, Philip Broadfoot served in every division, including as commander of the SWAT team; he rose to the rank of chief in 1990 and provided leadership to dozens of employees and sworn officers for 13 years; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, Philip Broadfoot became chief of the Danville Police Department, where he oversaw more than 200 employees and sworn officers in the Law Enforcement Division, Adult Detention Division, and Juvenile Detention Division; and

WHEREAS, Philip Broadfoot used his collaborative, data-driven leadership style to effectively manage the multi-function police department for 14 years, building strong relationships with his officers, local and state government, and the community as he worked to make Danville a safe place to live, visit, or operate a business; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his law-enforcement service, Philip Broadfoot has been an active and generous community leader, serving on church committees and volunteering his time with civic organizations like the Rotary Club and the Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, throughout his accomplished career, Philip Broadfoot earned numerous awards and accolades, including the Law Enforcement Office of 1981 award from the Exchange Club; he is well-known in the law-enforcement field as an author and presenter on various issues, such as emergency preparedness, community policing, and the use of new technologies in policing; and

WHEREAS, Philip Broadfoot also provided his wisdom and expertise to law-enforcement officers throughout the Commonwealth, the United States, and the world as a member and leader of several peer and professional organizations, including the International Association of Chiefs of Police; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Philip Alan Broadfoot, a dedicated law-enforcement officer, on the occasion of his retirement as chief of the Danville Police Department; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Philip Alan Broadfoot as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his decades of service to the residents of Danville and the Commonwealth.

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