HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 268

Commending Percy F. Ward, Jr.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 18, 2019

WHEREAS, after 41 years of outstanding service to the Poquoson community, Percy F. Ward, Jr., retired on January 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Percy Ward began his employment with the City of Poquoson on March 29, 1977, as a patrolman with the Poquoson Police Department; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Percy Ward has been an outstanding and loyal employee of the Poquoson Police Department, serving members of the public with the utmost dedication, integrity, and respect; and

WHEREAS, Percy Ward was well-known by his fellow law-enforcement officers as someone who always went the extra mile to accomplish the police department's mission to preserve a safe and secure environment by providing fair, friendly, and professional law-enforcement services to the citizens of Poquoson; and

WHEREAS, Percy Ward demonstrated his commitment to the Poquoson Police Department and to the law-enforcement profession by always exceeding the minimum requirements of his position and seeking advanced training and certifications in critical operational positions such as hostage negotiator, firearms instructor, emergency medical technician, advanced crash investigator, advanced internal affairs investigator, and armorer; and

WHEREAS, Percy Ward's love for the City of Poquoson and his commitment to the community is well established through his coordination of the Toys for Tots Program and the recognition he received from Mayor Howard Forrest for his outstanding civic service to the City of Poquoson and to the Poquoson Seafood Festival; and

WHEREAS, Percy Ward has earned the admiration and respect of all those who know him as evidenced by the numerous letters, commendations, and certificates of appreciation he has received during his career; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Percy F. Ward, Jr., hereby be commended on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Percy F. Ward, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his exemplary service to the residents of the Poquoson community.