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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 620

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Celebrating the life of Gregory Vann Thomas.

Patrons—Marshall and Adams, L.R.

WHEREAS, Gregory Vann Thomas, esteemed firefighter and beloved member of the Danville community, died on August 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Danville, Gregory "Greg" Vann Thomas dedicated his life to serving his hometown and helping others as a firefighter; and

WHEREAS, Greg Thomas was a devoted member of the Danville Fire Department for 26 years and also gave generously of his time and talents as a volunteer with Blairs Fire and Rescue, Mount Hermon Volunteer Fire and Rescue, and the Dry Fork Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Greg Thomas' passionate approach to his work inspired others to do their best, ensuring the units he worked with did all in their power to protect the people and property of their community; and

WHEREAS, known for his humor and good spirits, Greg Thomas was appreciated by his colleagues for his ability to help them through difficult situations with his positive and uplifting attitude; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure as an engineer with the Danville Fire Department, Greg Thomas served on various committees and was a member of the Danville Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team, enhancing the department's ability to provide emergency services to the community; and

WHEREAS, a hero to his children all his life, Greg Thomas was proud to see his son, Jonathan, carry on his legacy by recently joining the Danville Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Greg Thomas was an avid fan of baseball, hunting, and fishing, but most of all he enjoyed time spent with his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Greg Thomas will be dearly remembered and fondly missed by his loving children, Brittany, Jonathan, and Devan, and their families; his brother, Glenn; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Gregory Vann Thomas, a revered member of the Danville community who committed his life to serving others; 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 Gregory Vann Thomas as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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