

2021 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 296

Commending Barry M. Barnard.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 21, 2021
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 25, 2021

WHEREAS, Barry M. Barnard, who worked valorously to protect and serve citizens of the Commonwealth as police chief of the Prince William County Police Department, retired on July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Barry Barnard earned a bachelor's degree in criminology from Florida State University and a master's degree in public administration from George Mason University; and

WHEREAS, Barry Barnard was a graduate of programs at the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy, the University of Virginia's Senior Executive Institute, the University of Richmond's Professional Executive Leadership School, and the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated member of the Prince William County Police Department since 1976, Barry Barnard began his law-enforcement career as a patrol officer and rose through the ranks over his illustrious 44-year career with the force; and

WHEREAS, Barry Barnard was assistant chief of police for nearly a decade, commanding both administrative and operations divisions, before he was promoted to deputy chief of police in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Barry Barnard served twice as acting chief of police during his tenure as deputy chief of police before fully assuming leadership of the Prince William County Police Department on June 28, 2016; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Police Executive Research Forum, Barry Barnard has worked tirelessly to promote collaboration across law-enforcement agencies and uphold the highest standards for the police profession; and

WHEREAS, by enforcing the laws of Prince William County with honor and integrity for nearly a half-century, Barry Barnard has helped make the Commonwealth a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Barry M. Barnard, police chief of the Prince William County Police Department, on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Barry M. Barnard as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his remarkable career and innumerable contributions to the Commonwealth.

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