2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 738

Celebrating the life of Javier J. Smith.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 4, 2021 Agreed to by the Senate, February 11, 2021

WHEREAS, Javier J. Smith, the former sheriff of Charles City County, died on October 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Javier Smith served the Charles City County community as a sheriff's deputy for 11 years before his election as sheriff; he led the Charles City County Sheriff's Office with dedication and distinction from 2008 to 2016; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as sheriff, Javier Smith worked with the New Kent County Sheriff's Office and several federal agencies to successfully apprehend a dangerous fugitive who had fled from Charles City County and kidnapped a woman in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Javier Smith has more recently served as a deputy in the court services department of the Chesterfield County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep faith, Javier Smith was active in his church congregation and generously volunteered his time and leadership to support many community organizations; and

WHEREAS, Javier Smith will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 27 years, Holly; his children, Shane and Lyric; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Javier J. Smith, respected law-enforcement officer in Charles City County; 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 Javier J. Smith as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.