SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 723

Commending Patrick Gallagher.

Agreed to by the Senate, August 5, 2021

WHEREAS, Patrick Gallagher, a dedicated law-enforcement officer, served and protected the members of the Virginia Beach community for more than 30 years as a member of the Virginia Beach Police Department; and

WHEREAS, a native of Virginia Beach, Patrick Gallagher holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Old Dominion University; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Gallagher began his law-enforcement career in 1983 as a member of the United States Army Military Police Corps; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Gallagher joined the Virginia Beach Police Department as a patrol officer in 1990 and subsequently worked in the special operations, investigations, accreditation, and internal affairs departments, rising through the ranks to ultimately become deputy chief; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his wide range of expertise and leadership skills, Patrick Gallagher was selected from a pool of more than 70 candidates as chief of the New Bern Police Department in North Carolina in 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Patrick Gallagher hereby be commended for his three decades of service to the residents of Virginia Beach as a sworn officer of the Virginia Beach Police Department; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Patrick Gallagher as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his accomplishments and contributions to the Virginia Beach community.