

2022 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 171

Celebrating the life of Firefighter Christopher George Griffin.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 7, 2022
Agreed to by the Senate, February 10, 2022

WHEREAS, Firefighter Christopher George Griffin, a member of Norfolk Fire-Rescue, died October 1, 2021, after battling occupational brain cancer; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Griffin was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, and resided in Suffolk at the time of his passing; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Griffin joined the Chinchilla Hose Company of South Abington Township when he was just 14 years old; he enjoyed a 24-year career with the department and rose through the ranks to become fire chief; and

WHEREAS, after relocating to Virginia in 2012, Firefighter Griffin joined Norfolk Fire-Rescue and bravely served the community as a member of Stations 2, 7, 10, 12, and 13; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Griffin was a genuine friend and a trusted mentor to many of his fellow public safety officers, and his passion and dedication for the profession were unmistakable; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Griffin was a member of Waverly Masonic Lodge No. 301 and the Lackawanna Royal Arch Chapter No. 185 in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, defined by his selflessness and compassion, Firefighter Griffin dedicated his life to service and always put the needs of others above his own; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Griffin brought joy to others through his jovial sense of humor and loved to make people laugh; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Griffin will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving wife of 13 years, Aimee Jenkins-Griffin; son, David Hunter Griffin; mother, Sandra Sterling Griffin; sister, Shannon Sacchetti, father-in-law and mother-in-law, David and Linda Jenkins; and numerous other family members, friends, and fellow firefighters; 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 Firefighter Christopher George Griffin, a tireless hero who dedicated nearly 10 years of his life to serving and safeguarding Norfolk residents; 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 Firefighter Christopher George Griffin as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his service to the Commonwealth.

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