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Offered March 7, 2022

Commending Steven G. Bowman.

Patrons—Mason, Barker, Bell, Boysko, Chase, Cosgrove, Deeds, DeSteph, Dunnavant, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hackworth, Hanger, Hashmi, Howell, Kiggans, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, McClellan, McDougle, McPike, Morrissey, Norment, Obenshain, Peake, Petersen, Pillion, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Suetterlein, Surovell and Vogel; Delegate: Mullin

WHEREAS, Steven G. Bowman has served the Commonwealth for decades as a law-enforcement officer and a state official; and

WHEREAS, Steven "Steve" Bowman is a graduate of Christopher Newport University and the University of Louisville's Southern Police Institute; he began his career in law enforcement with the Isle of Wight County Sheriff's Office and the Virginia State Police; and

WHEREAS, Steve Bowman joined the Virginia Marine Resources Commission as deputy chief of the Law Enforcement Division in 1992 and was promoted to chief in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Steve Bowman was appointed by Governor Timothy Kaine as commissioner of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission in 2006 and reappointed by Governor Robert McDonnell in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Steve Bowman subsequently served as chief of the Smithfield Police Department, then returned to state government in 2018 as commissioner of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission under Governor Ralph Northam; and

WHEREAS, Steve Bowman worked diligently to help make the Virginia waterways cleaner and support the Commonwealth's vital fishing and maritime industries; and

WHEREAS, Steve Bowman is a devoted and caring father to his two sons, Steven and Connor, and a loving husband to his wife, Amy; and

WHEREAS, Steve Bowman demonstrated steady leadership throughout his tenure as commissioner and served the Commonwealth with the utmost integrity and dedication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Steven G. Bowman for his legacy of outstanding service as commissioner of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Steven G. Bowman as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his professional achievements and contributions to Virginians.