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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 310

Offered February 28, 2022

Commending Kevin W. Hall.

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WHEREAS, Kevin W. Hall, an esteemed law-enforcement officer who has served as sheriff of Alleghany County and the City of Covington since 2008, was elected president of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association in 2021; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Alleghany County High School in 1982, Kevin Hall earned both a law-enforcement certificate and an associate degree from Dabney S. Lancaster Community College in 1988 and 1989, respectively, before completing training at the Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy, where he was elected class president and recognized as his class's top driver; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Hall embarked upon his noble career in law enforcement as a patrolman with the Covington Police Department and over 22 years would also serve as a D.A.R.E. officer, member of the Alleghany Highlands Drug Task Force, patrol sergeant, school resource officer, and detective sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Hall's accomplishments as the sheriff of Alleghany County and the City of Covington since assuming the role in 2008 include establishing a mutual aid agreement among jurisdictions in the Alleghany Highlands, enhancing radio communications between area law enforcement, expanding the student resource officer program at Alleghany County Public Schools, developing partnerships in the community to foster positive relationships and promote public safety, and more; and

WHEREAS, as a general instructor at Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy and the Cardinal Criminal Justice Academy in Salem, Kevin Hall has mentored numerous young recruits on their paths toward meaningful and successful law-enforcement careers; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Hall has served the Commonwealth as a member and chairman of the E-911 Services Board following an appointment by Governor Terry McAuliffe in 2015 and through his work with Governor Ralph Northam's Advisory Commission on Opioids and Addiction; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Hall has strove to address mental health issues in Alleghany County by partnering with the local Community Services Board to provide mental health and substance abuse counseling to inmates since 2016 and by establishing a local crisis intervention site to assist individuals in their time of need; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Hall has received several accolades and awards for his service to the community, including "Police Officer of the Year" honors from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1033 in Covington in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Hall was elected to the board of directors of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association in 2011, and on September 15, 2021, was unanimously elected to serve a one-year term as president of the organization; and

WHEREAS, as president of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association, Kevin Hall has carried out the responsibility of representing the organization's nearly 10,000 members, including sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and sheriff's office personnel from throughout the Commonwealth, with a great sense of honor and purpose; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Kevin W. Hall, sheriff of Alleghany County and the City of Covington, for being elected president of the Virginia Sheriffs' Association in 2021; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Kevin W. Hall as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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