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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 139

Offered February 18, 2022

Celebrating the life of Gary Clark Campbell.

Patrons—Reeves, Boysko, Ebbin, Hashmi, Howell, Ruff and Spruill; Delegates: Adams, D.M., Austin, Convirs-Fowler, Orrock, Rasoul, Reid, Ware and Willett

WHEREAS, Gary Clark Campbell, the battalion chief with the Spotsylvania County Department of Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Management who made many significant contributions to the Spotsylvania County community, died on January 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell was a lifelong resident of Spotsylvania County and touched the lives of many friends and neighbors and all those he came in contact with; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell grew up as an avid hunter and expert marksman under the guidance of his father, Clinton Byrd Campbell, and was a founding member of the Flat Top Hunt Club; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell used his talents as a master carpenter to produce remarkable works of craftsmanship, often lending assistance to family and friends to complete projects of their own; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell dedicated himself to a life of service at a young age, joining the Spotsylvania Volunteer Fire Department, where he continued to serve as a lifetime member; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell began his career as a firefighter on October 5, 1992, with the Spotsylvania County Department of Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Management, and rose through the ranks to the position of battalion chief; and

WHEREAS, throughout his service to the community of Spotsylvania County, Gary Campbell saved many lives and countless homes and property of others in the community; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell was respected throughout Virginia's fire service community as a recognized and beloved leader, who always demonstrated true servant leadership by defending and representing the needs and well-being of those he worked with, while never hesitating to share his vast knowledge of fire service operations with others; and

WHEREAS, Gary Campbell was a dedicated father, demonstrating a profound amount of loyalty, care, compassion, and pride toward the members of his immediate and extended family, all of whom will greatly miss and fondly remember him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Gary Clark Campbell, a pillar of the Spotsylvania County community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Gary Clark Campbell, as an expression of the General Assembly respect for his memory.