SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 63

Commending Christina Shinall.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 11, 2022

WHEREAS, Christina Shinall has served the Tazewell County community as a 911 operator for 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Christina Shinall is a certified emergency medical technician and previously worked as a volunteer medic and ambulance driver for the Richlands Town Rescue Squad; and

WHEREAS, Christina Shinall joined the Tazewell County 911 center as a dispatcher in 1997; she has helped guide the center through significant growth and technological advances over the years, having started at a time when the center had only two dispatch consoles and no computerized maps or call logs; and

WHEREAS, when the 911 center merged into the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office, Christina Shinall was sworn in as a communications officer with the department; and

WHEREAS, Christina Shinall has completed numerous courses and training programs, including basic dispatch training at the Criminal Justice Training Academy and specialized training for dispatches related to Amber Alerts, natural disasters, domestic violence, suicides, active shooter incidents, and medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Christina Shinall has responded to a wide range of calls for emergency service in her career and has touched countless lives through her ability to stay calm under pressure and relay accurate information; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Christina Shinall hereby be commended for her service as a 911 operator; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Christina Shinall as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for her contributions to public safety in Tazewell County.