## **PROCLAMATION**

## RECOGNIZING FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION DAY AS AUGUST 24, 2017

**WHEREAS**, individuals, both career and volunteer, including police, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, search and rescue professionals, as well as other organizations in the public safety sector, come together as first responders during emergencies to provide services that can make the difference between life and death; and

WHEREAS, members of first responder organizations undergo significant education, training and personal sacrifice in order to achieve the expertise required to respond to emergency situations; and;

WHEREAS, first responders are ready to respond 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and are our first and best defense against emergencies that threaten our communities; and

WHEREAS, first responders are vital in every community to maintain order as they risk their own lives and safety in the performance of their duties to provide crucial services in times of crisis.

WHEREAS, the Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce is honoring all regional first responders Thursday, August 24, 2017 during the First Responders Appreciation Breakfast, specifically, Frank Corona, Senior, a detective with the Spotsylvania Sheriff's Office, Investigative Merit Award and the Fire Prevention Division of Spotsylvania Fire, Rescue and Emergency Management, "Business of First Responding" Award; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors proclaims the 24th day of August 2017 as First Responder Appreciation Day in Spotsylvania adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017 and extends on behalf of its members and the residents of Spotsylvania, gratitude for their service to the County.

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