



Legislation Text

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Introductory*

City of Baltimore Council Bill R (Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Ramos

A Resolution Entitled

A Council Resolution concerning

Recognizing the Service of the Honorable Sheriff John W. Anderson

For the purpose of recognizing the Honorable John W. Anderson, Sheriff of Baltimore City, for his distinguished service to the City of Baltimore.

Recitals

The Honorable Sheriff John W. Anderson has worked tirelessly for the residents of Baltimore City for over 5 decades. He began his tenure as Deputy Sheriff of Baltimore City in 1972 before his appointment to Sheriff by former Governor William Donald Shaeffler in 1989.

A born and bred Baltimorean, Sheriff Anderson attended Baltimore City College before his service in the United States Air Force. He returned to Baltimore to begin his career with the Sheriff's Office, finding time along the way to graduate from Towson University with a degree in criminal justice.

Driven by a strong sense of service to his community, Sheriff Anderson led the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office with a focus on constituent services, citing swift resolution of complaints among his chief priorities. Under Sheriff Anderson's leadership, the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office achieved record highs of warrant arrests as well as seizure of firearms and controlled dangerous substances. In 2021 alone, the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office recovered 138 illegal firearms and nearly 40,000g of dangerous controlled substances.

During his time at the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Anderson also oversaw the formation of the Domestic Violence Unit, a specialized portion of the Office dedicated to serving peace orders and protecting residents from intimate partner violence. Since establishing the Domestic Violence Unit, the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office has doubled the service rate on peace and protective orders under Sheriff Anderson's leadership.

The Honorable Sheriff John W. Anderson has seen Baltimore City through many eras of growth and change and will continue to be recognized as a profoundly dedicated public servant.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Council recognizes the Honorable Sheriff John W. Anderson for his distinguished service to the City of Baltimore.

And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Sheriff Anderson, the Mayor, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.