

City of Harrisonburg

409 South Main Street Harrisonburg, VA 22801 (540) 432-7701 / FAX (540) 432-7778 Deanna Reed, Mayor Sal Romero, Jr., Vice-Mayor Richard Baugh, Council Member Christopher B. Jones, Council Member George Hirschmann, Council Member

A RESOLUTION HONORING REGINALD "REGGIE" S. SMITH FOR SERVICE AS DIRECTOR OF THE HARRISONBURG DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORATION FOR THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG

WHEREAS, Reggie Smith is retiring as Director, having served the City of Harrisonburg in that position since 1978; and

WHEREAS, throughout his forty-three-year career, Reggie has shared his extensive knowledge, experience and abilities of his field for the betterment of the city and has served the community's needs of transportation; and

WHEREAS, Reggie has also served the community on numerous other boards and commissions such as the Virginia Transit Association, the Community Transportation Association of Virginia, the Rockingham Extension Leadership Council, the Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Virginia Municipal League Transportation Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Reggie was hired as an administrative assistant to launch the Transportation Department in 1976, which started out with eight used taxis in a garage downtown, which he drove and maintained. He has grown the department to what is now a fleet of 39 transport buses, 63 school buses and 12 para-transit buses operated by approximately 200 employees, which provides transportation for more than 2.2 million passenger trips per year; and

WHEREAS, Reggie has been instrumental in the purchase and maintenance of the city fleet, consisting of approximately 600 vehicles, including everything from mowing tractors to fire engines; and

WHERAS, one of Reggie's largest accomplishments was the project of construction of the \$17.4 million state-of-the-art transportation headquarters located on East Washington Street which opened in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Reggie has been a valued colleague and friend to citizens, elected officials, and staff and his dedication, knowledge and professionalism will be greatly missed by all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the members of the Harrisonburg City Council take great pride in recognizing and honoring the achievements and service of Reggie Smith, thanking him for the dedication he has rendered and the contributions he has made in making the City a better place to live.

Adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.	BY: Peanne Leed
	Deanna Reed, Mayor
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Pamela Ulmer, City Clerk	