



RESOLUTION

In Recognition of Outstanding Conservation Farmer

*In recognition of **Ronald Morris** for his outstanding farm conservation management practices which includes implementation of a farm conservation plan,*

WHEREAS, *the Thomas Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District serves this community through programs and activities that enhance water quality of our surface and ground waters; while conserving and protecting our natural resources; and*

WHEREAS, *in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, farmers who demonstrate outstanding management practices which conserve our precious natural resources are selected and recognized through the Clean Water/Bay Friendly Farm Award Program; and*

WHEREAS, *the Thomas Jefferson SWCD has selected Ronald Morris as the Clean Water Farm Award Program recipient of Albemarle for 2014 and the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation has selected Ronald Morris as the James Grand Basin recipient for the State of Virginia.*

WHEREAS, *Ronald Morris, demonstrates a commitment to the conservation of the natural resources on his farm through:*

- *rotationally grazing 115 acres of pasture as 13 paddocks with 40 cow/calf pairs;*
- *managing 75 acres of woodland for wildlife;*
- *protecting 2.4 miles of streams with 14 acres of riparian buffers;*
- *installing 7 automatic water troughs; and*
- *100% stream exclusion on two family farm properties.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *by the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors that Ronald Morris is hereby commended for his commitment to protecting and enhancing waters that flow beyond farm boundaries and for the conservation ethic he demonstrates through his farm management practices.*

Signed and Sealed this 2nd day of September, 2015.

*Jane D. Dittmar, Chair
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors*