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### VIRGINIA STATE POLICE WELCOMES 40 NEW TROOPERS TO ITS RANKS

RICHMOND – On Friday, Aug. 6, 2021, the Commonwealth will graduate its 134<sup>th</sup> generation of Virginia State Troopers. The 40 new troopers will be presented their diplomas during commencement exercises at 10 a.m. at the State Police Training Academy located at 7700 Midlothian Turnpike in North Chesterfield County. Governor Ralph S. Northam will be in attendance of the graduation ceremony.

The new troopers have received more than 1,300 hours of classroom and field instruction in more than 100 different subjects, including de-escalation techniques, strategies to assist people in mental health crisis, ethics and leadership, fair and impartial policing, constitutional law, emergency medical trauma care, and public and community relations. The members of the 134<sup>th</sup> Basic Session began their 27 weeks of academic, physical and practical training at the Academy January 28, 2021.

The soon-to-be graduates of the 134<sup>th</sup> Basic Session are from every corner of the Commonwealth, as well as California, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee and the country of Venezuela.

Upon graduation, the new troopers will report to their individual duty assignments across Virginia the week of August 16. For their final phase of training, each trooper will spend an additional six weeks paired up with a Field Training Officer learning his or her new patrol area.

Media are welcome to attend.

### 134<sup>th</sup> BASIC GRADUATING CLASS

Name	Hometown	Assignment
Shawn Scott Allen-Dickson	Chesapeake	Norfolk/Virginia Beach
Christina Marie Araujo	Haymarket	Prince William
Elmon Garnett Arrington	Richmond	Prince William
Sesaly Marie Barden	Reston	Springfield
Ethan James Barlow	Abingdon	Dinwiddie
Frederick Joseph Boos, III	Ellicott City, Maryland	Norfolk/Virginia Beach
Barret Lee Brown	Lynchburg	Prince William
Zachary Randy Duty	Bristol, Tennessee	Dinwiddie
Hector R. Estevez De La Rosa	Clifton, New Jersey	Henrico
Zane McKinley Forbes	Collinsville	Prince William

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*134<sup>th</sup> Basic Session Motto: Duty to Protect, Honor to Serve*

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