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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing September 12, 2011, as "Volunteer Firefighters Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, volunteer firefighters do not lose their lives in vain, but do so in an attempt to preserve and protect the lives, property, and general well-being of others, and

WHEREAS, many fire departments in the United States are manned by volunteers, and

WHEREAS, this service is given freely, often at great personal sacrifice, so that all citizens can enjoy the benefits of modern fire protection services that may otherwise be unaffordable to the affected communities, and

WHEREAS, to honor the service and sacrifice of these extraordinary citizens, it is appropriate to set aside one day each year for observances at which all Floridians are able to show their appreciation for the contributions of Florida's volunteer firefighters, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That the Florida House of Representatives recognizes the extraordinary contribution that volunteer firefighters make to their communities in the protection of life and property and commends those municipal and other fire departments in this state that donate surplus fire equipment and materials to

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volunteer fire departments in this state in support of their unique and important mission.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Florida House of Representatives designates September 12, 2011, as "Volunteer Firefighters Day" in Florida and urges appropriate observances of the day by all Floridians so that they might honor the great contribution to the public safety resulting from the service of, and sacrifices made by, volunteer firefighters.