
ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: congratulating the Fond du Lac Fire Department on earning international accreditation on August 27, 2015.

Whereas, the City of Fond du Lac established Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue in March of 1848 in order to ensure safety in the community; and

Whereas, in 1849, the City of Fond du Lac first purchased equipment in order to fight fires, including ladders, hooks, and buckets, and the first organized fire company was established in the summer of 1854 under the leadership of Fire Chief Azro Taylor; and

Whereas, Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue was awarded an international accreditation by the Center for Public Safety and Excellence, evaluated on a variety of criteria including training, assessment and planning, administration, and financial resources; and

Whereas, Fond du Lac Fire and Rescue is one of only 218 accredited departments worldwide in 2015; and

Whereas, accreditation by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International is a comprehensive self-evaluation that allows organizations to examine their performance in relation to industry best practices; and

Whereas, the Center for Public Safety and Excellence allows fire and emergency service agencies to assess their performance in order to determine community risk and safety needs, judge the performance of the department, and create a method for achieving repeated organizational improvement; and

Whereas, today Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue consists of 67 dedicated and dutiful members that operate 3 fire stations in the City of Fond du Lac; and

Whereas, their continued dedication to the Fond du Lac community has saved countless lives in the area while providing a timely and effective response to all emergencies; and

Whereas, under the leadership of Fire Chief Peter O'Leary, the department has made tremendous strides and continues to strive for continuous improvement, realizing the safety of our members and community is paramount to their success; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin state legislature congratulates Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue on receiving accreditation from the Center for Public Safety and Excellence; and

Be it further resolved, That without the hard work and dedication of the firefighters and paramedics of Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue, none of this would be possible, and that we wish them continued success and safety in the years to come; and

Be it further resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall present a copy of this resolution to Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue.

Senator Mary Lazich
President of the Senate

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk