A Senate resolution

honoring Mike Dandl on being named Cottage Grove Firefighter of the Year.

WHEREAS, those who work tirelessly in their communities to protect the public's safety and well-being perform an important service deserving of special legislative recognition; and

WHEREAS, firefighting involves extensive training to extinguish hazardous fires that threaten property and civilian or natural populations and to rescue people from dangerous situations; and

WHEREAS, Mike Dandl has been a firefighter for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Mike Dandl was named Cottage Grove Firefighter of the Year. Mike was chosen from a pool of approximately 45 firefighters and three nominees. Fire Department Chief Rick Redenius said Dandl was chosen based on his strong performance as a firefighter and the extra duties he performs. He is willing to step in as a leader when needed, on and off duty; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it congratulates Mike Dandl on being named Cottage Grove Firefighter of the Year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare an enrolled copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by the Secretary's signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to Mike Dandl.

Cal R. Ludeman Secretary of the Senate Paul E. Gazelka Chair, Senate Committee on Rules and Administration

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