BY: Senator RATH

**HONORING** ex-Chief Donald Geib upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our noble volunteer firefighters who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters exemplify the power of human compassion and the strength of the American spirit through actions of the most heroic magnitude; their sacrifices and their selfless dedication merit tribute and recognition by all citizens of this great country; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor ex-Chief Donald Geib upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company to be celebrated at its Annual Installation of Officers on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the Ellicott Creek Banquet Facility; and

WHEREAS, Donald Geib has consistently demonstrated a level of commitment, dedication, integrity and professionalism which truly exemplifies excellence in the volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, Chief of the North Bailey Fire Company from 2015 through 2017, Donald Geib also has held numerous offices within the organization and was a longtime member of the North Bailey Fire Company drill team, softball and bowling teams; he continues to attend many fire and emergency medical service calls, training drills, and fire prevention details; and

WHEREAS, Donald Geib, over the last several years, held the honor of being the company's top responder; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected volunteers are often the first to respond to an emergency, whether the emergency is a fire, transportation accident, natural disaster, act of terrorism, medical crisis, or spill of hazardous materials; and

WHEREAS, It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to forsake precious time with family and friends to respond to the signal that a neighbor is in need; Donald Geib is such a firefighter; throughout his years of devoted service, this volunteer heroically performed, above and beyond the call of duty, those responsibilities which define the task of fire protection; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor ex-Chief Donald Geib upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to ex-Chief Donald Geib.