

**BY:** M. of A. Gray

**HONORING** Firefighter Carl Herman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 70 years of dedicated service to the Northpole 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 Firefighter Carl Herman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 70 years of dedicated service to the Northpole Fire Company; and

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

**WHEREAS,** Carl Herman has been an integral part of the success of the Northpole Fire Company, a private non-profit fire department; and

**WHEREAS,** During his distinguished tenure, Carl Herman has served in numerous leadership positions, including past chief, president, and current board member; and

**WHEREAS,** Carl Herman's selfless contributions to the community extend far beyond responding to fire calls, and encompass thousands of hours of training, housekeeping, managing the fire department, significant involvement in the department's management and development, and extending himself whenever called upon to serve the community; and

**WHEREAS,** Carl Herman directly assisted in vital projects such as acquiring land, acquiring fire equipment, initiating and managing fundraisers, and directly assisting in the building of the Northpole Fire Company station at its current location; 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;

Carl Herman is such a firefighter; throughout 70 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 Firefighter Carl Herman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 70 years of dedicated service to the Northpole Fire Company; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Carl Herman.