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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Naperville Fire 4 Department on the occasion of its 150th anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department was founded in 6 1874, growing with the population of the town from a small 7 volunteer unit to a department with currently more than 200 8 paid personnel and 10 different stations across Naperville; 9 and

10 WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department has effectively 11 responded to numerous emergencies over its 150 years of 12 service, including the Naperville Train Wreck of 1946, the 13 North Central College's "Old Main" Fire of 1997, and the EF-3 14 Tornado of 2021, and has saved countless lives in the process; 15 and

16 WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department has attained 17 international fire accreditation status for six consecutive 18 5-year cycles, longer than any other fire agency in the State 19 of Illinois; and

20 WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department has the further 21 distinction of being the only fire department to provide a HR0948 -2- LRB103 43325 LAW 76633 r
Community Advocate Response Team (CART), which provides a
unique service designed to combat incidents before they become
medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department has the ability to provide an all-hazards response through its other special teams, Hazardous Materials, Tactical EMS, Technical and Special Rescue, Unmanned Aerial System (UAS), and Water Rescue; and

9 WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department has been a 10 cornerstone of the Naperville community for 150 years, 11 connecting with residents and creating a strong sense of 12 community for all while ensuring the safety and security of 13 its city; and

14 WHEREAS, The Naperville Fire Department remains committed 15 to serving the needs of the ever-changing City of Naperville 16 as it continues to put the community's needs first; therefore, 17 be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 19 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 20 we congratulate the Naperville Fire Department on its 150 21 years of service, and we commend all individuals who have 22 served and are currently serving the Naperville Fire HR0948 -3- LRB103 43325 LAW 76633 r
Department for their commitment to the safety of their
community and the residents of the City of Naperville; and be
it further

4 RESOLVED, That we honor all firefighters who have perished 5 in the line of service to the Naperville Fire Department, 6 recognizing their ultimate sacrifice while protecting their 7 community; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 9 presented to the Naperville Fire Department as an expression 10 of our esteem and respect.