

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 470

Introduced by Slama, 1; Stinner, 48.

WHEREAS, Bruce Neemann served the City of Syracuse, its citizens, and the region for forty years as a volunteer firefighter, including the last thirty-two years as the Fire Chief for the City of Syracuse; and

WHEREAS, Bruce proudly succeeded his father, Vernon Neemann, as the Fire Chief of Syracuse, a position Vernon held for fourteen years with Bruce assuming the leadership position in 1988; and

WHEREAS, throughout Bruce's career as a volunteer firefighter and volunteer Fire Chief for the City of Syracuse, he received training and provided training to other volunteer firefighters so as to better educate himself in all facets of fire suppression, but perhaps most importantly, to train and assist volunteer firefighters to become better at their positions, always challenging them to perfect the techniques they were taught and to learn detailed components of fire safety and fire suppression; and

WHEREAS, Bruce's passion for fire safety and fire prevention was exhibited month after month, year after year, during countless visits to elementary classrooms, sharing his knowledge with school children and his experience with fire prevention and fire safety; and

WHEREAS, because of Bruce's knowledge, leadership, bravery, and demeanor under horrific fire conditions, he was able to direct the firefighters of the Syracuse Volunteer Fire Department and other members of the local Mutual Aid Association during several massive structural fires to bring about the best possible results from the potential devastation, which could have occurred absent his leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, Bruce served as a mentor for countless individuals who chose to be volunteer first responders; and

WHEREAS, Bruce retired as Fire Chief for the City of Syracuse on July 27, 2020, after a long and successful career in the fire service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature extends its congratulations to Bruce Neemann in recognition of his many years serving the City of Syracuse, Otoe County, and the state.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Bruce Neemann.