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Supporting the goals and ideals of Fire Prevention Week, which begins on October 3, 2010, and the work of firefighters in educating and protecting the communities of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

Mr. PASCRELL (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. ANDREWS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of Fire Prevention Week, which begins on October 3, 2010, and the work of firefighters in educating and protecting the communities of the United States.

Whereas Fire Prevention Week is a time for the people of the United States to learn life saving fire safety information, practice emergency escape plans, and check and replace batteries in smoke alarms;

Whereas the National Fire Protection Association reports that smoke alarms cut the risk of people in the United States dying in a fire in half;

Whereas each year nearly 3,000 people die in the United States from house fires;

Whereas the National Fire Protection Association reports that in the United States 82 firefighters lost their lives in the line of duty in 2009;

Whereas the United States Fire Administration reports that more than 50 firefighters have already lost their lives in the line of duty in 2010;

Whereas the Nation's firefighters courageously respond to calls and risk their lives to protect families and communities from fire, natural disasters, and acts of terrorism;

Whereas 343 firefighters sacrificed their lives responding heroically to the events of September 11, 2001;

Whereas the Nation's first responders selflessly and bravely provided search and rescue assistance to Haiti following the tragic earthquake that took the lives of more than 100,000 Haitians on January 12, 2010;

Whereas Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record, as firefighters have been honored for their role in educating the people of the United States during Fire Prevention Week since 1922;

Whereas the National Fire Protection Association has designated the week of October 3 through 9, 2010, as Fire Prevention Week; and

Whereas the people of the United States can do their part to protect themselves, their families, and our Nation's firefighters by checking their smoke alarms regularly:
Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

1 (1) supports the work of firefighters in edu-
2 cating and protecting the communities of the United
3 States; and

4 (2) supports the goals and the ideals of Fire
5 Prevention Week, as designated by the National Fire
6 Protection Association.

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