



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Senate resolution honoring Miller Hose Fire Company's 100th anniversary

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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Miller Hose Fire Company, Inc. Approved unanimously in the Senate on January 11, 2011.

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Miller Hose Fire Company, Inc. and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 100 years of fire protection to the citizens of Newfane, New York, and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 100 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Miller Hose Fire Company have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Miller Hose Fire Company, Inc., to be celebrated on Saturday, January 22, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The Miller Hose Fire Company began as a small group in 1905 as the Newfane Fireman's Club with approximately 24 members; in 1911, Charles Miller and the Newfane Fireman's Club incorporated their organization which came to be known as the Miller Hose Company; and

WHEREAS, In 1927, the Miller Hose Fire Company sponsored the first fire prevention contest which has been a tradition during fire prevention week for the Newfane school district ever since; and

WHEREAS, The Miller Hose Company played an active role in the establishment of the Olcott Fire Company, the Wrights Corners Fire Company, and the Niagara County Volunteer Fireman's Association; and

WHEREAS, In 1941, the Miller Hose Fire Company was recognized for having one of the first blood donor clubs in New York State; the Company was one of the first to establish a Boy Scout Firematic Explorer post in June of 1974 which continues today; and

WHEREAS, With a membership of dedicated firefighters, the record of the Miller Hose Fire Company in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 100 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their

homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, The brave firefighters of the Miller Hose Fire Company are prepared to risk their lives every day to help save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the skill and devoted service demonstrated by individual firefighters, the Miller Hose Fire Company reflects the history and development of firefighting over the past 100 years; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and acknowledge publicly the heroic good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the Miller Hose Fire Company, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Miller Hose Fire Company, Inc.