

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 294

Senator Koehler

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Springfield Fire Rescue Division as the
2026 Ohio Fire Department of the Year.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly
of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the Springfield
Fire Rescue Division on being presented with the 2026 Ohio Fire
Department of the Year Award by the Ohio Department of Public Safety
Division of Emergency Medical Services; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award is a fitting tribute to the
Springfield Fire Rescue Division, for it has achieved a praiseworthy
record of operational readiness, workforce development, and community
risk reduction while serving one of the region's most demanding
response environments. The accomplishments of this department are a
justifiable source of pride and a fine reflection not only on the
institution itself but also on its diligent members and on the entire
community; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Springfield Fire Rescue Division have
risked their own safety to ensure the well-being of local residents,
and they have earned the gratitude and respect of the community they
have so capably served. We are certain that as they maintain their
dedication to service, these individuals will continue in the
tradition of excellence which has long been the agency's hallmark; and

WHEREAS, Countless citizens in the community owe their safety, and
some their very lives, to the Ohioans who comprise the Springfield
Fire Rescue Division. Indeed, they have displayed outstanding courage
and initiative in the performance of their duties, and their
enthusiasm and devotion are truly astounding; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General

Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the members of 26
the Springfield Fire Rescue Division for their loyal service to the 27
community and salute them as exemplary first responders; and be it 28
further 29

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 30
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Springfield Fire Rescue 31
Division. 32