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DELAWARE STATE SENATE
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 135

PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 28, 2024, AS “NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY” IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, first responders include professional and volunteer fire fighters, police officers, emergency medical
2 technicians, and paramedic workers in the United States; and

3 WHEREAS, first responders deserve to be recognized for their commitment to safety, defense, and honor; and

4 WHEREAS, according to the Department of Homeland Security, an estimated 4.6 million first responders serve
5 communities across the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, Congress made October 28th National First Responders Day in 2017; and

7 WHEREAS, we should thank our firefighters, police officers, paramedics, and EMTs every day but October 28th
8 offers a unique opportunity to show our appreciation; and

9 WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, first responders were on the frontlines, working around the
10 clock to save lives; and

11 WHEREAS, natural disasters cause destruction across the U.S., requiring firefighters and other first responders to
12 show up in unprecedented numbers; and

13 WHEREAS, these heroic men and women are the first ones on the scene of natural disasters, tragedies, and
14 accidents, thereby devoting their lives to making the world a better and safer place; and

15 WHEREAS, during times of national crisis, first responders have consistently been a source of aid, hope, and
16 comfort for all Americans; and

17 WHEREAS, our first responders save countless lives every day, and many tragically pay the ultimate price in the
18 line of duty — a sacrifice we should never forget; and

19 WHEREAS, National First Responders Day is our opportunity to show gratitude and to recognize the
20 professionals who play an important role in ensuring the safety of every American.

21 NOW, THEREFORE:

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of
23 Representatives concurring therein, that Monday, October 28, 2024, is recognized as “National First Responders Day” in
24 the State of Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This Senate Concurrent Resolution proclaims Monday, October 28, 2024, as “National First Responders Day” in the State of Delaware.

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