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DELAWARE STATE SENATE 150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

RECOGNIZING APRIL 18, 2019 AS "NATIONAL LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, linemen are pivotal in setting up and repairing electrical wire communication and power lines; and 2 WHEREAS, during storms and emergencies, linemen are often first responders to ensure that the area is safe from 3 power lines that have fallen and that communication technologies remain operational in these times of crisis; and 4 WHEREAS, even without a crisis, the job of a lineman can be very dangerous and full of risks; and 5 WHEREAS, there are currently 115,000 linemen in the United States; and WHEREAS, it takes four years of training to achieve journeyman status for a lineman; and 6 7 WHEREAS, linemen serve and work on 2.7 million transmission towers, 170 million wood poles, and 9 million 8 miles of wire in the United States; and 9 WHEREAS, the first lineman in the United States was Ezra Cornell, who built the Morse Telegraph and later 10 founded Cornell University; and 11 WHEREAS, during Hurricane Sandy approximately 67,000 line personnel responded in this time of need; and 12 WHEREAS, April 18th was first recognized in 2013 by the U.S. Senate; and WHEREAS, this day is to recognize the individuals that work tirelessly each day to ensure that electricity 13 14 continues to flow to homes, schools, hospitals, and throughout communities. 15 NOW, THEREFORE: 16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 150th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of 17 Representatives concurring therein, that April 18, 2019 is recognized as "National Lineman Appreciation Day" in the State 18 of Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This Senate Concurrent Resolution recognizes April 18, 2019 as "National Lineman Appreciation Day" in the State of Delaware.

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