

House Resolution 1109

By: Representative Buckner of the 137th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Chief Jeff Meyer upon the grand occasion of his retirement;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Chief Jeff Meyer has served with honor and distinction as chief of the
4 Columbus Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Service since 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, he is an honest and dedicated public servant who strives for excellence in all
6 of his endeavors and whose primary concern is the welfare and safety of the citizens of
7 Columbus; and

8 WHEREAS, he is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and by state and local
9 government officials as a man of unquestioned integrity and dedication; and

10 WHEREAS, this spirited fire and EMS professional has exhibited extraordinary devotion to
11 duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his
12 duties; and

13 WHEREAS, Chief Meyer's efficient and effective commitment to excellence has been
14 recognized by his peers through his department's list of accomplishments, including
15 international accreditation in 2008, 2013, and 2018; construction of new fire and EMS
16 stations to improve employee morale and safety and to decrease emergency response times;
17 completion of a five-story drill tower, control room, and pavilion; and development of an
18 in-house advanced EMT and accredited paramedic training program; and

19 WHEREAS, in 2017, the department obtained an Insurance Services Office (ISO) Public
20 Protection Classification 1/1X rating, which less than 0.5 percent of fire departments
21 nationwide have achieved; the department is one of 2 percent of departments across the
22 United States that are internationally accredited and hold an ISO Class 1 Public Protection
23 Classification; and

24 WHEREAS, his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others is an outstanding example of
25 the positive effect fire and EMS professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that gratitude is expressed for the unique and
27 often unheralded contributions of local fire and EMS professionals on behalf of the citizens
28 of this state.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend the care, courage, sympathy, and selfless dedication
31 exhibited by Chief Jeff Meyer in carrying out the difficult duties of his vocation and
32 congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Chief
35 Jeff Meyer.