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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING UNION FIRE DISTRICT DEPUTY CHIEF KEVIN QUINN FOR  
RECEIVING THE PAUL S. SARBANES FIRE SAFETY LEADERSHIP AWARD

Introduced By: Senator V. Susan Sosnowski

Date Introduced: May 26, 2010

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, This Senate has learned that Union Fire District Deputy Chief Kevin Quinn  
2 has been named recipient of the Paul S. Sarbanes Fire Safety Leadership Award; and

3 WHEREAS, Named after retired Maryland Senator Paul Sarbanes, the Fire Safety  
4 Leadership Award recognizes organizations and individuals for their outstanding contributions to  
5 firefighter health and safety; and

6 WHEREAS, Deputy Chief Quinn and the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC)  
7 worked on the national level to establish and promote the Volunteer Firefighter Health and Safety  
8 Priorities and B.E.S.T. (Behavior, Equipment, Standards and Codes, and Training) practices; and

9 WHEREAS, The NVFC's Health and Safety Committee developed the Volunteer  
10 Firefighter Health and Safety Priorities which guide departments on how to keep members safe  
11 and eliminate preventable injuries and death. Although created for volunteer fire departments, the  
12 B.E.S.T. concepts apply to all fire and emergency services departments; and

13 WHEREAS, Keeping the fire community informed, the NVFC joined forces with  
14 Provident Agency to distribute 30,000 posters and sent them to every fire department in the  
15 United States. National and state fire services media outlets were used to get the word out and the  
16 NVFC expanded its website to feature resources and tools to implement B.E.S.T. practices; and

17 WHEREAS, Deputy Chief Quinn was a vital cog in these efforts and we are proud to see  
18 that he has been recognized for his concern for the safety of others; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

1 hereby congratulates Union Fire District Deputy Chief Kevin Quinn for receiving the Paul S.  
2 Sarbanes Fire Safety Leadership Award at the annual National Fire and Emergency Services  
3 dinner of the Congressional Fire Services Institute. This Senate recognizes this great honor and  
4 wishes him many years of health and prosperity; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Deputy Chief Kevin Quinn.

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