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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1021 Session of  
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SAYLOR, JOZWIAK AND BURNS, AUGUST 15, 2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
AUGUST 15, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Croydon  
2 Fire Company No. 1 in Bristol Township, Bucks County,  
3 Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, The Croydon Fire Company was founded in 1918 as the  
5 Croydon Improvement Association, which was formed to offer fire  
6 protection and improve the condition of the Croydon section of  
7 Bristol Township; and

8 WHEREAS, One of the first pieces of firefighting apparatus  
9 purchased by the association, an 1847 John Clayton hand-drawn  
10 horse cart, is still on display in the company's firehouse; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1924, the company received its charter as a  
12 volunteer fire company and the name was changed to the Croydon  
13 Fire Company; and

14 WHEREAS, The company's first firehouse was erected in the  
15 1920s; and

16 WHEREAS, The firehouse was enlarged in 1941 with an engine

1 room which contained three bays capable of holding two  
2 apparatuses each; and

3 WHEREAS, Due to the company's proximity to the Delaware River  
4 and the Neshaminy Creek, a decision was made early on to obtain  
5 a boat for water rescues; and

6 WHEREAS, The Croydon Fire Company, the Goodwill Hose Company  
7 of Bristol and the Bucks County Rescue Squad joined together in  
8 1941 to form the Interstate Marine Association; and

9 WHEREAS, During the Great Flood of 1956, the company rescued  
10 residents from their homes as far north as Yardley,  
11 Pennsylvania; and

12 WHEREAS, The firehouse was expanded during a 1997 renovation  
13 which included the construction of five additional bays, new  
14 offices, a training room and a bunk room; and

15 WHEREAS, As volunteer fire companies across this Commonwealth  
16 struggle with fundraising and recruiting, it is important to  
17 acknowledge the tremendous sacrifice these volunteers make to  
18 serve their communities; and

19 WHEREAS, After 100 years, the volunteers of the Croydon Fire  
20 Company continue to put their lives on the line in service to  
21 their community every day; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
23 100th anniversary of the founding of the Croydon Fire Company  
24 No. 1 in Bristol Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.