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**HOUSE  
RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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*Introduced by: Gutwein*

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1           A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring the Rensselaer  
2           Volunteer Fire Department for 125 years of service.

3           *Whereas, A small group assembled in 1896 to form the*  
4           *Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Company, making it one of the*  
5           *oldest regularly operating volunteer fire departments in*  
6           *Indiana;*

7           *Whereas, In addition to their incredible hard work, the fire*  
8           *department volunteers still find time to interact with their*  
9           *community through fish fries, pancake breakfasts, and the*  
10          *Burgers for Badges event;*

11          *Whereas, The Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department hosts*  
12          *many training opportunities for the public and fellow first*  
13          *responders ranging from water rescue training to posting*  
14          *public service announcements and reminders on fire safety on*

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1 *the department's Facebook page;*

2 *Whereas, The brave men and women of the Rensselaer*  
3 *Volunteer Fire Department have demonstrated professionalism,*  
4 *dedication, and honorable service to the city of Rensselaer and*  
5 *the surrounding communities for 125 years;*

6 *Whereas, Due to the protection of the Rensselaer Volunteer*  
7 *Fire Department, all of the citizens of Rensselaer and the*  
8 *surrounding communities enjoy the security of knowing that fire*  
9 *protection and emergency medical services are readily*  
10 *available when needed;*

11 *Whereas, As a result of this visionary group of dedicated fire*  
12 *service volunteers, countless lives, homes, and businesses have*  
13 *been protected and saved from the ravages of fire and natural*  
14 *disasters. Today, the city of Rensselaer is a much safer place to*  
15 *live, work, and raise a family;*

16 *Whereas, The Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department, the*  
17 *City of Rensselaer, and the state of Indiana will celebrate the*  
18 *125th anniversary and honor Rensselaer's firefighters past and*  
19 *present on May 8, 2021, at the fire department; and*

20 *Whereas, The distinguished service and sacrifice provided*  
21 *by the members of the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department*  
22 *for the past 125 years has brought pride and honor to the city*  
23 *of Rensselaer and the state of Indiana: Therefore,*

24 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the*  
25 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

26 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
27 honors the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department for 125 years  
28 of service to the community.

29 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
30 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the  
31 office of State Representative Douglas Gutwein for distribution.

