2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 128

February 4, 2020 – Introduced by Representative Vos, cosponsored by Senator Wanggaard. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: recognition of the outstanding service of the Burlington Rescue Squad.

Whereas, the Burlington Rescue Squad recently concluded its 73 year watch over its citizens, having set an exemplary standard of volunteerism for local communities across our state; and

Whereas, with a need for additional first responders in a growing community, the Burlington Rescue Squad was founded in 1945. The Burlington Rotary Club kindly donated funds, while a volunteer force was formed by countless individuals who stepped forward to faithfully and selflessly serve the public; and

Whereas, the members of the Burlington Rescue Squad have provided unwavering and courageous service to the people of Burlington in distress no matter the time of day or weather conditions, and always operated under the motto “service above self”; and

Whereas, these dedicated volunteers gave some 700 hours of time and effort to answer up to 1,600 calls each year, giving up time with their loved ones and at their
professions. No matter how late the hour or how severe the emergency, they were always there to provide aid to their fellow neighbor; and

Whereas, the Burlington Rescue Squad has played a vital role in Burlington and the surrounding communities year after year, decade after decade. The organization most recently received notable recognition from the Burlington Rotary Club as the recipient of the 2018 Humanitarian Award. The honorable legacy displayed by all of the volunteers since its inception will not be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature does hereby commend the Burlington Rescue Squad for its 73 years of exceptional service throughout the city of Burlington and surrounding areas. We thank the members of the Burlington Rescue Squad for their sacrifices, unmatched generosity to those in need at the conclusion of the organization’s service, and the embodiment of true volunteerism that we can all seek to emulate.

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