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## 2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 58

September 30, 2015 - Introduced by Senator GUDEx, cosponsored by Representative THIESFELDT. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1     **Relating to:** congratulating the Fond du Lac Fire Department on earning  
2           international accreditation on August 27, 2015.

3           Whereas, the City of Fond du Lac established Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue in  
4     March of 1848 in order to ensure safety in the community; and

5           Whereas, in 1849, the City of Fond du Lac first purchased equipment in order  
6     to fight fires, including ladders, hooks, and buckets, and the first organized fire  
7     company was established in the summer of 1854 under the leadership of Fire Chief  
8     Azro Taylor; and

9           Whereas, Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue was awarded an international accreditation  
10    by the Center for Public Safety and Excellence, evaluated on a variety of criteria  
11    including training, assessment and planning, administration, and financial  
12    resources; and

13           Whereas, Fond du Lac Fire and Rescue is one of only 218 accredited  
14    departments worldwide in 2015; and

1           Whereas, accreditation by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International  
2 is a comprehensive self-evaluation that allows organizations to examine their  
3 performance in relation to industry best practices; and

4           Whereas, the Center for Public Safety and Excellence allows fire and  
5 emergency service agencies to assess their performance in order to determine  
6 community risk and safety needs, judge the performance of the department, and  
7 create a method for achieving repeated organizational improvement; and

8           Whereas, today Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue consists of 67 dedicated and dutiful  
9 members that operate 3 fire stations in the City of Fond du Lac; and

10           Whereas, their continued dedication to the Fond du Lac community has saved  
11 countless lives in the area while providing a timely and effective response to all  
12 emergencies; and

13           Whereas, under the leadership of Fire Chief Peter O'Leary, the department has  
14 made tremendous strides and continues to strive for continuous improvement,  
15 realizing the safety of our members and community is paramount to their success;  
16 now, therefore, be it

17           ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the Wisconsin state  
18 legislature congratulates Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue on receiving accreditation from  
19 the Center for Public Safety and Excellence; and

20           ***Be it further resolved, That*** without the hard work and dedication of the  
21 firefighters and paramedics of Fond du Lac Fire/Rescue, none of this would be  
22 possible, and that we wish them continued success and safety in the years to come;  
23 and

