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Senate Resolution No. 3716

BY: Senator RANZENHOFER

HONORING Firefighter John Veneski upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Swormville Fire Company

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our noble volunteer firefighters who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Firefighter John Veneski upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Swormville Fire Company, to be celebrated at its Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, February 24, 2018; and

WHEREAS, John Veneski joined the Swormville Fire Company in October of 1967; throughout his illustrious tenure, he has served in numerous leadership positions including as Captain (1970-72), Chief (1973-74), Vice President (1979-80), President (1983-84), Financial Secretary (1986-1992), and Company Chaplain, the esteemed position he currently holds; and

WHEREAS, In addition, John Veneski was a member of the Board of Directors from 1978 until 1990; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected volunteers are often the first to respond to an emergency, whether the emergency is a fire, transportation accident, natural disaster, act of terrorism, medical crisis, or spill of hazardous materials; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to forsake precious time with family and friends to respond to the signal that a neighbor is in need; John Veneski is such a firefighter; throughout 50 years of devoted service, this volunteer heroically performed, above and beyond the call of duty, those responsibilities which define the task of fire protection; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Firefighter John Veneski upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Swormville Fire Company; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter John Veneski.