

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 82

WHEREAS, Members of the Irving Fire Department are joining with city residents on September 20, 2025, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the agency's founding; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1925 with just 20 volunteers, the Irving Fire Department originally served an area spanning one square mile, and its members put out fires with a four-wheel pull cart carrying a 20-gallon water barrel, a hand pump, buckets, brooms, and a small ladder; today, the department includes more than 400 personnel who are committed to protecting a population of over 250,000 people across 68 square miles; the agency's first responders operate out of 13 stations, utilizing a fleet of 13 engines, 5 trucks, and 11 ambulances; and

WHEREAS, Over the decades, the Irving Fire Department has expanded its services to include EMS capabilities as well as teams specializing in swift-water rescue, hazardous materials, and technical rescue; in addition, the department established the Public Education Station in 2004, and it trains new recruits at the Joint Training Facility, a collaborative effort between the Cities of Irving and Grand Prairie; the department has implemented a comprehensive mental health and wellness program for its personnel, and it also works to connect the general public to mental health resources; and

WHEREAS, The Irving Fire Department has further served the community through initiatives such as the Blue Christmas program, the Citizens Fire Academy, CPR demonstrations, cancer awareness campaigns, and the Supplies for Success Drive, which benefits area students; among its many achievements, the department received an Insurance Services Office Class 1 rating,

which indicates it is among the top one percent of fire departments in the nation for capabilities and standards; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the past century, the courageous members of the Irving Fire Department have dedicated themselves to protecting the lives and property of their fellow citizens, and this milestone anniversary offers a fitting opportunity for area residents to express their appreciation to the department for its outstanding service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Irving Fire Department and extend to its leadership and staff sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the department as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Johnson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on September 4, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate