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Designating October 8, 1992, as "National Firefighters Day".

Whereas there are over 2,000,000 professional firefighters in the United States;
Whereas firefighters respond to more than 2,300,000 fires and 8,700,000 emergencies other than fires each year;
Whereas fires annually cause nearly 6,000 deaths and \$10,000,000,000 in property damage;
Whereas firefighters have given their lives and risked injury to preserve the lives and protect the property of others;
Whereas the contributions and sacrifices of valiant firefighters often go unreported and are inadequately recognized by the public; and
Whereas the work of firefighters deserves the attention and gratitude of all individuals in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That October 8, 1992, is designated as "National Firefighters Day". The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved October 23, 1992.

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