## One Hundred Third Congress of the United States of America

## AT THE FIRST SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday, the fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-three

## Joint Resolution

Designating December 15, 1993, as "National Firefighters Day".

Whereas there are over 2,000,000 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 damages;
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;

Whereas the work of firefighters deserves the attention and gratitude of all individuals in the United States: Now, therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That December 15, 1993, is designated as "National Firefighters Day", and the President of the United States 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.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.