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Commending members of the Anchorage Municipal Fire Department.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS on January 31, 1977, twenty-two members of the Anchorage Municipal Fire Department worked for hours in conditions of extreme hazard and dire emergency to save the lives of two people trapped in the wreckage of a YC 122 cargo plane; and

WHEREAS this performance of bravery and selfless dedication to duty was accomplished under conditions of extreme danger in which the slightest accident or negligence could have resulted in disaster; and

WHEREAS the anticipation of danger and the ready acceptance of the challenge to meet and defeat that danger is a characteristic inherent in the firefighter's life, which was exemplified by the professional and courageous actions of this team of firefighters; and

WHEREAS this splendid display of courage, teamwork, and dedication went above and beyond the call of duty even in light of the inherent dangers of the firefighting profession;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the following members of the Anchorage Municipal Fire Department are commended for their heroic work of January 31, 1977:

Battalion Chief Howard Patterson
Sr. Captain Randy Bailey
Captain Sykes Hamilton
Captain Robert Parks
Firefighter Chuck Adams
Firefighter Tom Whip
Firefighter John Williams

Firefighter Ben Clayton
Firefighter Tom Klopfer
Firefighter Bill Little
Firefighter Fred Ray
Firefighter Charlotte Riendl
Firefighter Gordon Skoog
Engineer Steve Berger
Engineer Chic LeDoux
Engineer Mayo Jack
Engineer Joseph Ripczinski
Engineer John Withers
Paramedic Patrick Chase
Paramedic Dave Fente
Paramedic Harvey Huyett
Paramedic Pat Tracy

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to each of the above-named members of the Anchorage Municipal Fire Department; to Gene Bennett, Chief of the Anchorage Municipal Fire Department; and to the Honorable George M. Sullivan, Mayor of Anchorage.