

# General Assembly



H. R. No. 164

By: Messrs. Peters of the 2nd and Snow, Hale and Crowe of the 1st

## A RESOLUTION

Commending the members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department of Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the Post Volunteer Fire Department of Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, began its existence in 1947 with a 1942 Ford 100-gallon tank Fire Truck, and now the Department has equipment valued at more than \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, all improvements and equipment of the Department have been financed by the toil, sweat and tears of the members, and not by outside interests; and

WHEREAS, the fifty men who are members of the Department have paid for much of their equipment by holding barbeques—the latest of which involved the cooking and selling of 5,000 pounds of delicious beef and pork; and

WHEREAS, the Department started out with four men, and now is one of the largest volunteer fire departments in the South; and

WHEREAS, the Department, in 1958, built a new \$60,000 fire hall, and in 1960 sold the building to the City of Fort Oglethorpe for \$1.00; and

WHEREAS, there are over 300 subscribers to the Department, each of whom pays an annual fee of \$12.00, but the Department covers all churches and schools free, and responds to all fire calls whether from subscribers or not; and

WHEREAS, the area covered by the Department includes: Fort Oglethorpe, Chattanooga Valley, Tiftonia, Boynton, Lakeview and Fairview; and

WHEREAS, the Department was credited for saving the City of Rossville from complete disaster in 1967; and

WHEREAS, the following outstanding individuals make up the leadership of the Post Volunteer Fire Department: Chief, Harold Cook; Assistant Chief, Luther Nicholson; Assistant Chief, James Holder; Assistant Chief, John Allen; Captains: Raymond Mitchell, J. C. Sissom, Bill Bryant, and Bill Day; Lieutenant, Tanner Austin; and Fire Marshall, Frank Friel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA that this Body hereby commends the members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department of Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, for their outstanding services to their area and for providing a magnificent example to the other volunteer fire departments throughout the South and the Nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House transmit a copy of this resolution to all the above-named individuals.

### IN HOUSE

Read and Adopted  
February 14, 1969

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Glenn W. Ellard".  
Glenn W. Ellard

CLERK

### IN SENATE

Read and Adopted  
February 17, 1969

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Hamilton McWhorter, Jr.".  
Hamilton McWhorter, Jr.

SECRETARY