

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 460

Introduced by Stinner, 48.

WHEREAS, Jim K. Lawson began his distinguished career in the fire service as a volunteer with the Gering Volunteer Fire Department on May 11, 1971, and has honorably served the city of Gering, its citizens, and the region; and

WHEREAS, throughout Mr. Lawson's career as a volunteer firefighter he has served as vice president, president, trustee, captain, and assistant chief with the Gering Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson has also served as President of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association, President of the North Platte Valley Firemen's Association, and Secretary and Treasurer of the Scottsbluff County Mutual Aid Association; and

WHEREAS, during his career, Mr. Lawson has received the following awards: Outstanding Young Fireman from the Gering Jaycees in 1977, Outstanding Firemanship from the Knights of Aksarben Foundation in 1981, Outstanding Fireman from the Moose Lodge in 1981, Firefighter of the Year from the Gering Volunteer Fire Department in 1983, and the Dr. Kenneth Kimball Award from EMS Excellence in 1985; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson was appointed to the North Platte Valley Firemen's Association in 1982 and to the Nebraska Board of Ambulance Advisors in 1981 and 1982; and

WHEREAS, throughout Mr. Lawson's career as a volunteer firefighter, he has provided training to other volunteer firefighters to become better at their positions and served as an instructor for the Nebraska State Fire School, the South Dakota State Fire School, and North Dakota State Fire School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson has served as a mentor for countless individuals who have chosen careers as volunteer first responders; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson has responded to thousands of calls throughout his career, some exceptionally dangerous, in every conceivable condition during both day and night.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature congratulates Jim K. Lawson for his many years of service to the city of Gering, the surrounding region, and the State of Nebraska.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Jim K. Lawson.