

State of

Connecticut

By Her Excellency M. Jodi Rell, Governor: an

Official Statement

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut expresses gratitude and appreciation for our Connecticut firefighters, both professional and volunteer, who selflessly and bravely protect life and property in the face of great danger; and

WHEREAS, we also recognize and honor those firefighters who have valiantly fallen in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated firefighters tirelessly and unselfishly give their time, energy, talents and expertise to protect residents across Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, firefighters stand ready to meet any challenge that endangers individuals in their communities, and considerations of time, season or weather have no bearing on the commitment of fire department members to serve and protect; and

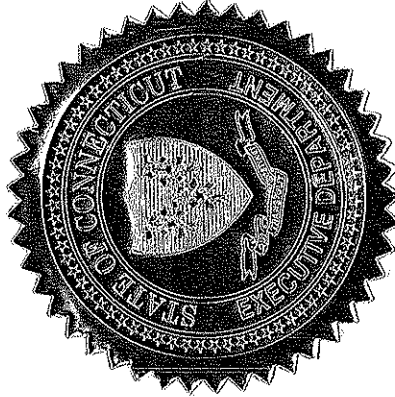
WHEREAS, the dedication and valor of firefighters inspire trust, pride and admiration in all of Connecticut's residents; and

WHEREAS, the people of Connecticut owe firefighters recognition and thanks for their courage, dedication and heroism; now

THEREFORE, I, M. Jodi Rell, Governor of the State of Connecticut, in appreciation of the outstanding services that firefighters provide and in hope that firefighters across the state will continue to risk their own safety to protect others, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2007, as

CONNECTICUT FIREFIGHTERS DAY

in the State of Connecticut. Connecticut is proud of its dedicated firefighters who practice selfless acts of bravery and I urge all residents to recognize the valuable role that firefighters play in our lives.



M. Jodi Rell
Governor