



Legislation Text

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All Council Members

Recognizing local heroes for above and beyond selfless service to the Toledo Community.

WHEREAS, recognizing that each year in the course of their chosen line of work, individuals perform selfless acts of heroism in service to their neighbors and community, today we honor three recent local examples represented by employees of the Toledo Police Department (TPD), Toledo Fire & Rescue Department (TFRD), and the Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority (TARTA),

WHEREAS, On, January 18, 2019, the Toledo Blade published an article that reported,

“Toledo firefighters and police officers twice rescued people who fell through the ice in the same frozen pond Friday morning in North Toledo.

[T]he second rescue, [a]t about 11:10 a.m., both the fire and police departments were alerted to a teen trapped in the ice in a frozen pond near Cleveland and Ontario streets, Private Rahe said. Three police officers arrived first and attempted to rescue him, but they also fell through. One officer was transported with the teen to Mercy Health St. Vincent Medical Center.

; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2019, U.S. News & World Report ran a story with the title, *The New First Responder*: that listed among America’s new first responders Ed Dustman, a bus driver for TARTA, who the story reported:

Ed Dustman, a bus driver for nearly 30 years, admits he "was the biggest skeptic" about learning to recognize an overdose and how to administer naloxone.

But after his transit agency's mandatory training in January 2018, he took the offered overdose-reversal kit and, seven months later, used those skills to save someone's life along his route.

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WHEREAS, On February 21, 2019, WTOL published a story that read in part,

A devastating fire broke out early on Thursday January 24 on Prouty Avenue. Neighbors’ frantic calls to 911 bring back intense reminders of how terrifyingly close they were to not making it out of the fire alive.

[As all five of the Reynolds fought to escape the flames, the mother, Alexandria]

passed out just inches from the door outside. When she fell Addison ,7, became trapped in the home. She was inside the blaze close to seven minutes after the first 911 call and firefighters had to rescue her.

“The firefighters said that if they’d have been in the fire for one more minute longer we would

have lost everybody”

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the tribute is made to all members of our community, regardless of their line of work, who selflessly perform act of heroism, often without being given any special recognition.

SECTION 2. That today, three such examples of local heroism are recognized by the acts of the members before us of the Toledo Police Department (TPD), Toledo Fire & Rescue Department (TFRD), and the Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority (TARTA),

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law

Adopted: _____: yeas _____, nays _____.

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved: _____

Mayor

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council

_____.

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council