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# **Sen. Jason Crowell Honors Fredericktown Fire Department**

JEFFERSON CITY— Sen. Jason Crowell, R-Cape Girardeau, will help celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fredericktown Fire Department at a chili cook-off by presenting a resolution acknowledging the departments' contributions to the public and another resolution marking Fire Chief Darryl Asher's 35 years of service coming to a close. The festivities will take place on East Main Street from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14.

"It is my pleasure to take part in this event to recognize the fire department for its success and to honor Chief Asher for reaching the milestone of a well-deserved retirement," Crowell said. "For eight decades, citizens of the Fredericktown community have volunteered their time and efforts to protect their neighbors from fires and other disasters. This sort of commitment to public safety makes me proud to be a part of Southeast Missouri."

The Fredericktown Fire Department was founded on Nov. 4, 1926, and is a member of the Ozark Firefighter's Association and the Fire Fighter's Association of Missouri. Notably, the Fredericktown Fire Department has not experienced a line-of-duty fatality in its 80-year history.

Chief Asher is one of only three men who has held the top-most leadership position of the Fredericktown Fire Department. He has received many formal accolades, including Jaycee's Distinguished Award for State Service, Ozark Firefighter's Award for Outstanding Dedication and Service, a Fredericktown Chamber of Commerce 110 Percent Award and the rotary Club's Paul Harrison Fellow Award.

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