CITY OF BALTIMORE **COUNCIL BILL 25-0002R** (Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Middleton

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A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

I	Honoring the Efforts of First Responders in the Camp Small Woodberry Fire
2 3	FOR the purpose of honoring the efforts of the first responders to the recent fire at Camp Small in the Woodberry community on December 5, 2024.
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5 6 7	At approximately 5:10 pm on Thursday, December 5, 2024, a Baltimore Recreation and Parks employee reported a small fire on the property of Camp Small, a forestry processing center near the Woodberry community.
8 9 10 11 12 13	Because of the high winds and supplies of dry wood, the fire grew quickly into a three-alarm blaze. Beyond standard firefighting equipment, the Baltimore City Fire Department needed heavy machinery such as bulldozers and excavators to contain the fire. Over 100 brave Baltimore firefighters from 12 engine companies, with support from other agencies of the State, City, and Baltimore County, were able to control the fire with several days of dedicated and vigilant containment work.
14 15	Despite the severity of the raging fire, Baltimore's firefighters were able to contain it without any reported injuries or damage beyond the initial site of the fire.
16 17 18	Baltimore is proud of the heroism and bravery of its firefighters, and thanks them for their battle against the December 5 Camp Small fire. Their commitment and courage protected many vulnerable homes from what could have been a deadly tragedy.
19 20 21 22	Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, that the City Council expresses its deepest gratitude to all of Baltimore's heroic firefighters and their support for their work in responding to the Camp Small fire. The City Council is committed to lifting up the fearless work of these public servants.
23 24 25	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Chief of the Baltimore City Fire Department, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.