

# *Proclamation*

## **HONORING FIREFIGHTER KENNETH RUSTIN FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND ITS RESIDENTS**

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Rustin began serving the residents of the City of Chipley and the surrounding communities as a volunteer firefighter in 1974 as a member of the City of Chipley Volunteer Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth has dedicated his life to the fire service and the protection of life and property from loss by fire and other emergency situations; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth is the second longest tenured member of the City of Chipley Fire Department providing fifty (50) years of distinguished service to the community as a volunteer firefighter; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth has responded to well over twelve thousand 12,000 calls during his tenure as a firefighter, thereby providing an enormous benefit to the City of Chipley and its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, during Kenneth's half century of exemplary service he has demonstrated the highest standards of ethics, and values; and

**WHEREAS** Kenneth's dedication, devotion and volunteerism are shining examples of community service and service to others; and

**WHEREAS**, fighting fires is one of the most hazardous professions, requiring physical strength, stamina, excessive training, courage, and selfless concern for the welfare of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to their daily duties, firefighters routinely put themselves in harm's way to serve our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Chipley owes a tremendous debt to those who, on a continuing basis, protect the citizens and property of this city.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Chipley that today, February 13, 2024, is **KENNETH RUSTIN VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER DAY** and commend all who serve.

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**Tracy L. Andrews, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Sherry Snell,  
City Clerk**