

**FIRE PROTECTION HISTORY-PART 230: 1911
(RESOLUTIONS)**

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The fifteenth Annual Meeting of the National Fire Protection Association was held in New York in late May 1911. One of the topics of discussion on the agenda were Resolutions to be adopted by the Association. The following is a transcript of the Resolutions:

“RESOLUTIONS FOR 1911.

The National Fire Protection Association, with all the force at its command, and with the absolutely united and unanimous support of its entire membership, wishes to place before the public in the strongest possible terms that the situation in connection with the fire waste is becoming so acute that there is necessity for action.

Action by all cities and towns in adopting proper building codes which will call for improved conditions and the use of fire-resisting construction in congested districts.

Action by the state and municipal authorities covering the regulation of the transportation and storage of inflammable oils and explosives.

Action by those in authority to the end that all buildings where people congregate, such as schools, theatres, factories and hotels, shall be so constructed and equipped that the lives of the people within them will be safeguarded.

Action by the proper authorities requiring the introduction of automatic fire-extinguishing apparatus in all commercial establishments and city blocks.

Action by the proper authorities prohibiting the manufacture and sale and use of the snap match, and requiring the universal adoption and use of the Safety Match.

Action by the public in bringing about a safe and intelligent celebration of Independence Day, and above all,—

Action by every citizen of the land in using his individual effort in the cause of educating the public in regard to the dangers from fire, not only in so far as it applies to the personal and immediate consideration, but also from the broader standpoint, namely, that of the welfare of our land.

For the adoption of these principles for which it stands, the National Fire Protection Association asks immediate ACTION.

*H. L. Phillips,
Chairman Committee on Resolutions.*

The Resolutions were adopted.”

Of particular interest are the resolutions addressing the adoption of a building code by cities and large towns and the increased use of sprinkler protection in commercial districts in cities and large towns.

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