

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 125th Anniversary of the Protection Hose Company No. 1, to be celebrated on August 2-3, 2013

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of Protection Hose Company No. 1 and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 125 years of fire protection to the citizens of Jeffersonville, New York, and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, Back in 1888, a few concerned members of the community got together to form a volunteer organization to protect the lives, property and livelihoods of the people of the Jefferson area; and

WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 125 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of Protection Hose Company No. 1 have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and

WHEREAS, With a membership of dedicated firefighters, the record of Protection Hose Company No. 1 in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 125 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, The brave firefighters of the Protection Hose Company No. 1 are prepared to risk their lives every day to help save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the skill and devoted service demonstrated by individual firefighters, the Protection Hose Company No. 1 reflects the history and development of firefighting over the past 125 years; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and acknowledge publicly the heroic good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 125th Anniversary of the Protection Hose Company No. 1; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Protection Hose Company No. 1.