LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Suffolk County Police Benevolent Association upon the occasion of hosting its Silver Shield Awards and Installation Dinner Dance, and congratulating the 2013 Silver Shield Award honorees

WHEREAS, The quality of life of the communities of New York State and our nation is largely reflective of the commitment and dedication demonstrated by those, such as the members of the Suffolk County Police Benevolent Association, who devote their lives and careers in service to the needs and protection of their community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Suffolk County Police Benevolent Association upon the occasion of hosting its Silver Shield Awards and Installation Dinner Dance to be held on Friday, April 26, 2013, at Villa Lombardi's in Holbrook, New York, and to commend the 2013 Silver Shield Award honorees; and

WHEREAS, This year's recipients of the esteemed Silver Shield Award have distinguished themselves in the line of duty while serving the citizens of Suffolk County and the Suffolk County Police; furthermore, they have demonstrated acts of bravery that far exceed what would normally be expected of them; and

WHEREAS, These courageous and respected Police Officers include: 2009 - Sean Mahony, Jason LaRosa, James Oresto and Matthew Pellegrini; 2010 - Kathleen Focas, Anthony Calato, Keith Jordan, Terance Monahan, Peter Cucchiara, Clifford Lent and Gregg Schleier; 2011 - Matthew DeMatteo; and 2012 - Paul Pattilio, Daniel Hartman, Walter Fingerle and Patricia Davis; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize and commend such outstanding law enforcement officers for their valued contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Suffolk County Police Benevolent Association upon the occasion of hosting its Silver Shield Awards and Installation Dinner Dance, and to congratulate the 2013 Silver Shield Award honorees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Suffolk County Police Benevolent Association, and the aforementioned 2013 Silver Shield Award honorees.