LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Outgoing Truck Captain Thomas Devaney upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition as he completes his outstanding service as the East Williston Fire Department's Truck Captain

WHEREAS, The firefighters of New York State are renowned throughout the Nation; their reputation is synonymous with excellence in the arduous field of fire protection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Since the early days of "teapot steamers," the volunteer firefighter has been the cornerstone of our great Nation's efforts to spare us from the ravages of fire; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commend Outgoing Truck Captain Thomas Devaney upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition as he completes his outstanding service as the East Williston Fire Department's Truck Captain; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Devaney will be honored at the East Williston Fire Department's Annual Installation Dinner to be held on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Stewart Manor Country Club on Salisbury Avenue in Stewart Manor, New York; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; and WHEREAS, It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to forsake precious time with family and friends to respond to the signal that a neighbor is in need; Thomas Devaney is such a firefighter; throughout his many years of devoted service, this volunteer, Outgoing Truck Captain Thomas Devaney, has heroically performed, above and beyond the call of duty, those responsibilities which define the task of fire protection; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Outgoing Truck Captain Thomas Devaney for his distinguished service to the East Williston Fire Department and his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Outgoing Truck Captain Thomas Devaney.