

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Outgoing Chief Douglas J. Sherwood upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition for his dedicated service to the North Bellmore Fire District

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 Chief Douglas J. Sherwood upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition for his dedicated service to the North Bellmore Fire District; and

WHEREAS, Outgoing Chief Douglas J. Sherwood will be honored at the North Bellmore Fire District's Annual Installation Dinner, to be held at the Huntington Hilton Hotel in Melville, New York on Saturday, May 18, 2013; 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; Outgoing Chief Douglas J. Sherwood is such a firefighter; throughout his many years of devoted service, he 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 Chief Douglas J. Sherwood for his distinguished service to the North Bellmore Fire District and his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Outgoing Chief Douglas J. Sherwood.