LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Forestburgh Fire Department in Forestburgh, New York, on April 20, 2013

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Forestburgh Fire Department, and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 50 years of fire protection to the citizens of Forestburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Forestburgh Fire Department was established in 1963 and provides fire rescue to the citizens of Forestburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, An integral part of the 50th Anniversary celebration of the Forestburgh Fire Department will be the 50th Annual Forestburgh Fire Company Dinner, to be held on Saturday, April 20, 2013, at Mr. Willy's Restaurant in Monticello, New York; and

WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 50 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Forestburgh Fire Department in Forestburgh, New York, 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 the Forestburgh Fire Department in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 50 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 Forestburgh Fire Department 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 Forestburgh Fire Department reflects the history and development of firefighting over the past 50 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 50th Anniversary of the Forestburgh Fire Department, Forestburgh, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Forestburgh Fire Department, Forestburgh, New York.