

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Paul Rausch, a Charter Member of Forestburgh Fire Company No. 1, upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service

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 Paul Rausch, a Charter Member of Forestburgh Fire Company No. 1, Forestburgh, New York, upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, Paul Rausch will be honored at Forestburgh Fire Company No. 1's 50th Annual Fire Company Dinner, to be held at Mr. Willy's Restaurant in Monticello, New York on Saturday, April 20, 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; Paul Rausch is such a firefighter; throughout his 50 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 Firefighter Paul Rausch for 50 years of distinguished service to Forestburgh Fire Company No. 1; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Paul Rausch.