

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Donald Keeler upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 58 years of dedicated service to the Youngsville Fire Department of Youngsville, New York

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 Firefighter Donald Keeler upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 58 years of dedicated service to the Youngsville Fire Department of Youngsville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Donald Keeler will be honored at the Youngsville Fire Department's Annual Appreciation Dinner and Dance, to be held at the Youngsville Fire Hall on Saturday, April 13, 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; Donald Keeler is such a firefighter; throughout 58 years of devoted service, Donald Keeler 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 Donald Keeler for 58 years of distinguished service to the Youngsville Fire Department and his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donald Keeler.