

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Odane Purcell upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after five years of dedicated service to the North Amityville Fire Company, Inc. on April 27, 2013

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 Odane Purcell upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after five years of dedicated service to the North Amityville Fire Company, Inc., to be celebrated at its 73rd Annual Installation Dinner & Awards Ceremony on Saturday, April 27, 2013, at the Hyatt Wind Watch in Hauppauge, New York; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Odane Purcell is the current Captain of Fire Police of the North Amityville Fire Company; he previously served as a Lieutenant of Fire Police; 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; Odane Purcell is such a firefighter; throughout five years of devoted service, this volunteer 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 Odane Purcell for five years of distinguished service to the North Amityville Fire Company and his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Odane Purcell.