LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Christopher A. Jones upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of a Superintendent's Commendation Award at the 37th Annual New York State Police Awards Day Ceremony on May 16, 2013

WHEREAS, The quality and sanctity of community life are cherished values, worthy of safeguarding; this Legislative Body is moved to honor those who preserve and protect such values, lauding particularly their unwavering courage and dedication in the daily performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Investigator Christopher A. Jones, of Troop H upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of a Superintendent's Commendation Award; and

WHEREAS, A Trooper since November 28, 1994, he will receive the award in recognition of his outstanding police work at the 37th Annual New York State Police Superintendent's Commendation and Awards Day Ceremony, to be held at the New York State Police Academy in Albany on Thursday, May 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS, On August 18, 2012, Investigator Jones investigated a complaint regarding a 15-year-old runaway from Monroe, New York; a subpoena from the Orange County DA's Office was obtained to search the juvenile's computer files for possible leads; and

WHEREAS, Investigator Jones was able to identify an individual who assisted the juvenile in running away from an online chat room the juvenile had visited; utilizing this IP address, and with the assistance of the FBI, the juvenile was located in the basement of a Michigan home, being held captive in a cage and the man holding her was arrested and charged with Rape in the First Degree with federal and New York charges pending; and

WHEREAS, In keeping with the finest traditions of the New York State Police, Investigator Christopher A. Jones has distinguished himself by his exemplary achievement and outstanding performance on behalf of the community he so faithfully and courageously serves; and

WHEREAS, The dedicated efforts of public servants, such as Investigator Christopher A. Jones, who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy of the full praise of this Legislative Body and the people of the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Investigator Christopher A. Jones upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of a Superintendent's Commendation Award at the 37th Annual New York State Police Superintendent's Commendation and Awards Day Ceremony on May 16, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Investigator Christopher A. Jones.