

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Sergeant Darren W. Forbes upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the William V. McDonagh Award 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Sergeant Darren W. Forbes upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the William V. McDonagh Award to be celebrated 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, New York, on Thursday, May 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Darren W. Forbes, a 25 year veteran of Troop K in Rhinebeck, New York, will receive this distinguished award in recognition of his exceptional community service efforts; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Darren W. Forbes entered the Division on March 28, 1988, currently serves as line Sergeant, and is the Assistant Troop K Emergency Management NCO; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Sergeant Darren W. Forbes has been a volunteer firefighter for 32 years, and coaches CYO basketball, as well as seventh grade boys and girls softball; he began coaching the softball team 14 years ago, and is currently serving as the League President; and

WHEREAS, After his 15 year-old daughter was saved while in gym class by an AED, Sergeant Darren W. Forbes helped in acquiring these devices for the athletic fields within his town; over the past nine years, he has also sponsored several blood drives at his fire company through the New York Blood Center; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Division, Sergeant Forbes has served as a Trooper, an investigator in the New York State Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and as a Sergeant in uniform since 2005; the dedication he has for the safety of individuals within his community can be observed by his continued patrol of the neighborhood, both on and off duty; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Darren W. Forbes has been involved in many of the most critical incidents and emergencies that have occurred within Rhinebeck, New York; he has received two Superintendent's Commendation Awards in his career, an award which recognizes the extraordinary performance of duty and exceptional contributions to the New York State Police; and

WHEREAS, In keeping with the finest traditions of the New York State Police, Trooper Darren W. Forbes 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 Trooper Darren W. Forbes, 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 Trooper Darren W. Forbes upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the William V. McDonagh 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 Trooper Darren W. Forbes.