LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Jean Schelah for special recognition after 60 years of service to the Cazenovia Fire Department and its Ladies Auxiliary

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energy and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Jean Schelah has generously given not only of her time and energy but also of her competence, intelligence, and leadership on behalf of her community for many years; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commend Jean Schelah upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Cazenovia Fire Department for her many years of dedicated service to the Department and the Ladies Auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, She will be honored at the Department's banquet to be held on Friday, February 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Historically, the ladies auxiliary of a volunteer fire company has been organized to assist, support, and encourage the fire company in its good work; it is the aim of the ladies auxiliary to cultivate a spirit of harmony, to promote sociability and to sustain the esteem and admiration of the community in which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The Cazenovia Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary carries out these important functions in an exemplary manner, providing an invaluable service to the department and community; and

WHEREAS, Cazenovia Fire Department members truly appreciate the women of the Ladies Auxiliary, knowing they will always be there providing food and refreshments, as well as emotional support, to them on the scene of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to volunteer selflessly, supporting and assisting the firefighters in the provision of fire protection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, For 60 years Jean Schelah has willingly and enthusiastically helped the Ladies Auxiliary carry out its accepted responsibilities and has contributed extensively to the awareness and knowledge of her neighbors and friends, and to the quality of their lives; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years she has always been one of the first to volunteer to help with any or all functions; she has always supported the Department in everything it does in addition to serving on various committees throughout the years; and

WHEREAS, The Cazenovia Fire Department will proudly honor Jean Schelah, recognizing this significant milestone at its banquet on February 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Jean Schelah's mother Marie was a founding member of the Auxiliary; Jean joined the organization in July 1953 when she was a teenager and proudly carried the banner on numerous occasions when marching with the Auxiliary in parades; and

WHEREAS, Through her long and sustained commitment to the Cazenovia Fire Department and its Ladies Auxiliary, Jean Schelah has exhibited outstanding service and leadership in her beloved community and has demonstrably advanced the perception of Cazenovia, New York, as a caring and united community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Cazenovia Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and to pay tribute to Jean Schelah upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Cazenovia Fire Department for 60 years of service to

the Cazenovia Fire Department and its Ladies Auxiliary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jean Schelah.