LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Fire Captain Richard Trebilcock upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 65 years of dedicated service to the Chenango Fire Company

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 Fire Captain Richard Trebilcock upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 65 years of dedicated service to the Chenango Fire Company; and

WHEREAS, At the young age of 18, Richard Trebilcock joined the Chenango Fire Department; today, he is the longest tenured member in company history; and

WHEREAS, For over six decades, Fire Captain Richard Trebilcock has enthusiastically responded to fires, accidents, storm damage, ambulance calls and other emergencies within his community; and

WHEREAS, Now, at the age of 83, Fire Captain Richard Trebilcock has not slowed down a bit, answering 141 calls in 2015; he continues to drive fire trucks and leads the 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; Richard Trebilcock is such a firefighter; throughout 65 years of devoted service, this volunteer 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 Fire Captain Richard Trebilcock for 65 years of distinguished service to the Chenango Fire Company; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Fire Captain Richard Trebilcock.