LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Joseph Nosek upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after decades of dedicated service to the Youngsville Fire Department

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 Joseph Nosek upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after decades of dedicated service to the Youngsville Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, In 1938, Joseph Nosek was born in Hancock, New York; he and his parents moved to Treadwell, New York, where they operated a dairy farm; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Nosek attended A.L. Kellogg Central School; in 1957, he graduated from Broom Tech in Binghamton, New York, certified as an Electrical Technician; and

WHEREAS, He then began his career with NYSEG in Liberty, New York; during this time, he proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, In 1965, Joseph Nosek and the former Mary Banuat were married; they relocated to Youngsville, New York, and happily raised their two daughters, Susan and Tami; and

WHEREAS, After fulfilling his obligation with the United States Army Reserves, Joseph Nosek joined the Youngsville Fire Department in 1966; an enthusiastic member, he quickly rose through the ranks, holding the leadership positions of Fire Chief and President; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Nosek has been active in the Sullivan County Firefighters Association since 1972, holding the position of President in 1980; and

WHEREAS, To recognize Joseph Nosek for his dedicated service to the community in which he both lives and works, the Youngsville Fire Department dedicated their Annual Parade in his honor; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Joseph Nosek was a member of the Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board from 1976-1990, holding the title of Vice Chairman from 1981-1990; he also served on the committee to establish the Sullivan County Call Center at the airport; 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; Joseph Nosek is such a firefighter; throughout decades 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 Firefighter Joseph Nosek after decades of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph Nosek.