

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Linda Smith upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Dedicated Service Award by the City of Tonawanda 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, Our firefighters are greatly supported by the service of dedicated individuals who volunteer their time and energies to the efficient operation of their fire departments; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Linda Smith upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Dedicated Service Award by the City of Tonawanda Fire Department, celebrated at its Annual Appreciation and Awards Banquet on March 11, 2017, at the Niawanda Park Pavilion, Tonawanda, New York; and

WHEREAS, Linda Smith has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A member of the City of Tonawanda Fire Department's Rehab Squad, Linda Smith also assists the Explorer Post as an advisor and helper; she has spent countless hours at the fire house and has been instrumental in the success of the Department's banquet and blood drives, most notably the Red-for-Jed blood drive; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Linda Smith has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Linda Smith has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Linda Smith, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Linda Smith upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Dedicated Service Award by the City of Tonawanda Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Linda Smith.