

BY: Senator O'MARA

COMMEMORATING the 75th Anniversary of the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department to be celebrated on May 20, 2017

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 75 years of fire protection to the citizens of the Town of Erwin, New York, and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 75 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and

WHEREAS, This momentous occasion will be celebrated at its Annual Installation and Awards Banquet on Saturday, May 20, 2017, at the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Station, Painted Post, New York; and

WHEREAS, With a membership of dedicated firefighters, the record of the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 75 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, The brave firefighters of the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department are prepared to risk their lives every day to help save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the skill and devoted service demonstrated by individual firefighters, the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department reflects the history and development of firefighting over the past 75 years; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and acknowledge publicly the heroic good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Forest View Gang Mills

Fire Department to be celebrated on May 20, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Forest View Gang Mills Fire Department.