

Senate Resolution No. 1228

BY: Senator MARCELLINO

COMMENDING Chief John Lottes upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Jericho Fire Department

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our noble volunteer firefighters who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters exemplify the power of human compassion and the strength of the American spirit through actions of the most heroic magnitude; their sacrifices and their selfless dedication merit tribute and recognition by all citizens of this great country; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Chief John Lottes upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Jericho Fire Department to be celebrated at its 84th Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, April 22, 2017, at the Milleridge Cottage in Jericho, New York; and

WHEREAS, Chief John Lottes was once again elected to the esteemed position as Chief of the Jericho Fire Department in 2015 to serve his second term due to his dedication and desire to help the organization; and

WHEREAS, During his 25 years at the Jericho Fire Department, Chief John Lottes has held numerous positions including Second Lieutenant in 1994, First Lieutenant in 1995, Captain from 1996-1997, Second Assistant Chief from 1998-1999 and 2011-2012, First Assistant Chief from 2000-2001 and 2013-2014 and Chief from 2002-2003 and 2015-2016; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected volunteers are often the first to respond to an emergency, whether the emergency is a fire, transportation accident, natural disaster, act of terrorism, medical crisis, or spill of hazardous materials; 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; Chief John Lottes is such a firefighter; throughout 25 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 Chief John Lottes upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Jericho Fire Company; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief John Lottes.