

**BY:** Senator PHILLIPS

**COMMENDING** Past President Anthony J. Bellisari upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 43 years of dedicated service to the Albertson Fire Company

**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 Past President Anthony J. Bellisari upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 43 years of dedicated service to the Albertson Fire Company to be celebrated at its 108th Annual Installation and Inspection Dinner Dance on Saturday, April 7, 2018, at The Royalton in Roslyn Heights, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Anthony J. Bellisari joined the Albertson Fire Company in February of 1975; throughout his 43 years of service, he has held several positions within the Department including: Sergeant-at-Arms, Second Lieutenant, First Lieutenant, Captain, Second Assistant Chief, First Assistant Chief, Chief, Trustee, Chairman of the Board, Vice President, and President; 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; Anthony J. Bellisari is such a firefighter; throughout 43 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 Past President Anthony J. Bellisari upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 43 years of dedicated service to the Albertson Fire Company; and be it further

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

transmitted to Past President Anthony J. Bellisari.