

**BY:** Senator PHILLIPS

**COMMENDING** Chief Adrian de Armas upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 14 years of dedicated service to the Bellerose Fire Department on April 10, 2018

**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 Adrian de Armas upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 14 years of dedicated service to the Bellerose Fire Department to be celebrated at an Event on Tuesday, April 10, 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** Chief Adrian de Armas joined the Bellerose Fire Department in 2004; throughout his 14 years of service, he has held several positions within the Department including: Lieutenant, Captain, and Assistant Chief; currently, he serves as Chief; and

**WHEREAS,** In this capacity, Chief Adrian de Armas has secured a number of grants to augment the Village of Bellerose budget; 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 Adrian de Armas is such a firefighter; throughout 14 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 Adrian de Armas upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 14 years of dedicated service to the Bellerose Fire Department; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Adrian de Armas.

