

BY: Senator RANZENHOFER

COMMENDING Firefighter David Humbert upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company

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, Since the early days of "teapot steamers," the volunteer firefighter has been the cornerstone of our great Nation's efforts to spare us from the ravages of fire; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commend David Humbert upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company to be celebrated at its Annual Installation of Officers Banquet on Saturday, January 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Renowned throughout the local community, David Humbert has been a dedicated and vital member of the North Bailey Fire Company for five decades; during this time he has served in several capacities including as Chief for 14 years total and as President for 12 years consecutively; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he served as a Central Fire Alarm dispatcher for more than 25 years; and

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

WHEREAS, 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, Many firefighters have lost their lives to save the lives of others; each and every day, they face danger and peril without fear and perform their job with the utmost concern and professionalism; 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; David Humbert is such a firefighter; throughout 50 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 Firefighter David Humbert for 50 years of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David Humbert.