

Senate Resolution No. 1941

BY: Senator GAUGHRAN

HONORING Firefighter Roger L. Putnam Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the East Northport Volunteer 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 honor Firefighter Roger L. Putnam Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the East Northport Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Roger L. Putnam Sr. joined the East Northport Volunteer Fire Department in March of 1972; throughout his illustrious career which has traversed five decades, he has held several positions within the department, including Lieutenant, Captain, Department Secretary, Rescue Lieutenant and Rescue Captain; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he has served as an EMT for 36 years, as well as Department Secretary since 2006, and Department Safety Officer since 2009; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 52 years, Lillian, and their two sons, Roger Jr. and Scott, as well as three grandchildren, Meghan, Matt, and William, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his many accomplishments; 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; Roger L. Putnam Sr. is one such 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

honor Firefighter Roger L. Putnam Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the East Northport Volunteer Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Roger L. Putnam Sr.