

Senate Resolution No. 2221

**BY:** Senator BROOKS

**COMMENDING** Firefighter Robert Kurtz upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Wantagh Fire Department

**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,** 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 Firefighter Robert Kurtz upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Wantagh Fire Department to be celebrated on Saturday, June 4, 2022, at the Milleridge Inn of Jericho, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** 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,** Throughout his tenure of service, Robert Kurtz has continually demonstrated a high knowledge and understanding of leadership, training, and educational roles with the department and his crews; 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; Robert Kurtz is one such firefighter; throughout 50 years of devoted service, he 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 Robert Kurtz for 50 years of distinguished service to the Wantagh Fire Department; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Robert Kurtz.