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COMMENDING Honorary Chief Charles Albers upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Franklin Square & Munson Fire Department of Franklin Square, New York

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 Honorary Chief Charles Albers upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Franklin Square & Munson Fire Department to be celebrated at a party held in honor of the Chief on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at the Fire Station Headquarters in Franklin Square, New York; and

WHEREAS, Charles Albers joined the Franklin Square & Munson Fire Department in January of 1972; he has been a member of the Department's Heavy Rescue Company since he began, and is one of its Captains; and

WHEREAS, The Chief Dispatcher for Franklin Square & Munson, Charles Albers is also a member of the Fire Police Squad; he served as the Chair of many committees throughout the Department, including the Budget & Audit Committee, and today remains an active ambulance driver; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his five decades of service, he has continually demonstrated a high knowledge and understanding of leadership, training, and educational roles with the department and his crews; 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; Honorary Chief Charles Albers 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 Honorary Chief Charles Albers upon the occasion of his designation

for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Franklin Square & Munson Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Honorary Chief Charles Albers.