

Senate Resolution No. 1945

**BY:** Senator GRIFFO

**HONORING** Mike Phillips upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Cazenovia Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who give outstanding service to the people of the Empire State and whose extraordinary achievements save the lives of their fellow citizens should be recognized because their efforts so profoundly strengthen our shared commitment to family and community life; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mike Phillips upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Cazenovia Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps, which was celebrated at its 50th Anniversary Banquet on Saturday, March 2, 2024, at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Cazenovia, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** The unity of our State and Nation is built upon the compassion of to those individuals within the State of New York who, in the course of their jobs, perform acts of heroic dimension and who epitomize the best of humanity; Mike Phillips is one such individual; and

**WHEREAS,** Volunteer ambulance corps members are an important part of the safety net of America's healthcare system; they provide lifesaving care to those in need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

**WHEREAS,** Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

**WHEREAS,** Established in 1974 and currently based at 106 Nelson Street, Cazenovia Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps has been serving the greater Cazenovia community seven days a week, 24 hours a day, and 365 days a year for five decades; and

**WHEREAS,** This vital ambulance corps would not exist without individuals such as Mike Phillips who sacrifice time spent with family and friends to put in countless hours to help a neighbor in need as well as those passing through; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Mike Phillips has displayed throughout his life; and

**WHEREAS,** In the performance of his duties, Mike Phillips has demonstrated his character and his compassion for the welfare of others; he is a tremendous asset to his EMS Unit and a distinguished citizen of

the State and Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** Our unending gratitude and respect are owed to these devoted individuals whose responsibility is the preservation of life and who make that responsibility their own by serving their local Ambulance Corps; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mike Phillips upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Cazenovia Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mike Phillips.