Senate Resolution No. 2262

BY: Senator STEC

HONORING Vice President Hugh Sullivan upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Lake George Volunteer Fire Department

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by, and indebted to, our noble 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Vice President Hugh Sullivan upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Lake George Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Hugh "Jim" Sullivan has consistently demonstrated a level of commitment, dedication, integrity, and professionalism which truly exemplifies excellence in the firefighting service; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Lake George Volunteer Fire Department since 1974, Hugh Sullivan has served to protect his community from the hazards to life and property in every position in the Department; and

WHEREAS, Hugh Sullivan progressed through the firematic chairs as Lieutenant, Captain, 2nd Assistant Chief, 1st Assistant Chief, and Chief of the Department from 1987-1991; currently, he serves as Vice President; and

WHEREAS, On the administrative side of the Lake George Volunteer Fire Department's staff, Hugh Sullivan advanced to President from 2000-2004; additionally, he served as Treasurer for many years; in 1988, he received the Phil Wood Award, a prestigious honor bestowed upon the Department's members who have exceptionally served all aspects of the community; and

WHEREAS, Hugh Sullivan has served on numerous committees, including one for the creation of the Lake George Water Rescue Unit in 1985; he was one of the original drivers of the team, responsible for many rescues of his neighbors in need; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected men and women 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;

Hugh Sullivan is such a firefighter; throughout his 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 honor Vice President Hugh Sullivan upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Lake George Volunteer Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Vice President Hugh Sullivan.