Senate Resolution No. 1034

BY: Senator MARTINS

HONORING Ex-Chief Thomas Freeman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 40 years of dedicated service to the Floral Park Centre 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 Ex-Chief Thomas Freeman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 40 years of dedicated service to the Floral Park Centre Fire Department to be celebrated on Friday, May 16, 2025, at the 100th Annual Installation of Officers Dinner Dance at the Westbury Manor in Westbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Freeman has consistently demonstrated a level of commitment, dedication, integrity and professionalism which truly exemplifies excellence in the fire service; and

WHEREAS, With great distinction and enthusiasm, Thomas Freeman served the fire company as Chief of the Department from 2008-2009; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected heroes 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; Thomas Freeman is such a firefighter; throughout 40 years of devoted service, this firefighter 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 Ex-Chief Thomas Freeman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 40 years of dedicated service to the Floral Park Centre Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ex-Chief Thomas Freeman.