

BY: Senator MARTINS

HONORING Firefighter James Contino upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Atlantic Hook & Ladder Company No. 1

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 James Contino upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Atlantic Hook & Ladder Company No. 1 to be celebrated at the 139th Annual Installation Dinner Dance on Friday, May 9, 2025, at the Royalton at Roslyn Country Club in Roslyn Heights, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, James Contino's long, selfless commitment to his community started in March of 1975 when he was elected membership into the Atlantic Hook & Ladder Company No. 1; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his impressive five decades of commitment, James Contino has held numerous officer positions within the Company and has been a key contributor to many company and department committees; 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, James Contino continues to give back through his active involvement in the Port Washington Lions Club, and his steadfast dedication and leadership have left a lasting legacy; 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; James Contino is such a firefighter; throughout 50 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 Firefighter James Contino upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Atlantic Hook & Ladder Company No. 1; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Contino.