Senate Resolution No. 1787

BY: Senator MARTINS

HONORING Honorary Chief Andrew Martone Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Mineola 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 Honorary Chief Andrew Martone Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Mineola Fire Department to be celebrated on Saturday, April 25, 2026, at the Cherry Valley Country Club in Garden City, New York; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Martone Sr. has consistently demonstrated a level of commitment, dedication, integrity and professionalism which truly exemplifies excellence in the fire service; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Martone Sr. has been a dedicated and valued members of Truck Company No. 2 serving as a Trustee, Secretary, Chairman of the By-Law Committee, Financial Secretary, and still active in the coordination of many department events, parades, and committees; and

WHEREAS, With many relatives and generations of family in the fire service, Andrew Martone Sr. has welcomed his three sons into the department; he is a proud father to an Ex-Chief and now current Captain of Company 2; and

WHEREAS, Continuing to provide guidance and support to his sons and new members alike, Andrew Martone Sr. inspires the firefighters of the Mineola Fire Department to further educate themselves in fire service and continue to serve their community; and

WHEREAS, Through the years of sacrifice, Andrew Martone Sr.'s drive to be present on the fire scene, assist in department functions, and maintain strong bonds with the company members is what makes him a pillar in the Mineola Fire Department; 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;

Andrew Martone Sr. 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 Honorary Chief Andrew Martone Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Mineola Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Andrew Martone Sr.