

BY: Senator MARTINS

COMMENDING outgoing Chief Joseph Barbagallo upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 15 years of dedicated service to the New Hyde Park 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 commend outgoing Chief Joseph Barbagallo upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 15 years of dedicated service to the New Hyde Park Fire Department to be celebrated at the 115th Annual Installation-Inspection Dinner on Saturday, May 10, 2025, at the Crescent Beach Club in Bayville, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, In July 2010, Joseph Barbagallo was appointed membership to the New Hyde Park Fire Department, then he was elected and served as Deputy Chief and Chief of the department from January 2020 through December 2024; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Barbagallo is an active member of Enterprise Engine Company 1; 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; Joseph Barbagallo is such a firefighter; throughout 15 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 commend outgoing Chief Joseph Barbagallo upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 15 years of dedicated service

to the New Hyde Park Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Joseph Barbagallo.