

Assembly Resolution No. 1603

**BY:** M. of A. Walsh

**COMMEMORATING** the 100th Anniversary of the Harmony  
Corners Fire Department to be celebrated on August  
8, 2026

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Harmony Corners Fire Department and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 100 years of fire protection to the citizens of eastern portions of the Town of Galway and its surrounding communities; and

**WHEREAS,** The Harmony Corners Fire Department was formed in 1926, holding clambakes and dinners to raise money, ultimately purchasing a 1918 chemical truck which was housed in a barn; and

**WHEREAS,** The Harmony Corners Fire District was established in 1928, with early meetings held in Harmony Hall, and tax money was appropriated for the first firehouse; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout the 1940s and 1950s, the Department shared the Harmony Hall building with the Farmer's Club, the Home Bureau, and the 4-H Club; and

**WHEREAS,** To serve and protect their neighbors more effectively, the Harmony Fire Company built an addition in the year 1962; and

**WHEREAS,** As the years went on, trucks were added to keep the fleet updated, additions to the building were completed, and today, the Department operates at 1954 Amsterdam Road in Ballston Spa; and

**WHEREAS,** A celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Harmony Corners Fire Department will take place on Saturday, August 8, 2026, and feature a parade with giant puppets and a centennial program; and

**WHEREAS,** Today, the Harmony Corners Fire Department continues to stay up to date with their training and equipment to assist the community the best it can when it is needed; this esteemed fire department, like others throughout Saratoga County, consists of volunteers who want to help their community; and

**WHEREAS,** Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 100 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Harmony Corners Fire Department have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and

**WHEREAS,** With a membership of dedicated firefighters, the record of the Harmony Corners Fire Department in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, for 100 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their

homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and

**WHEREAS,** The brave firefighters of the Harmony Corners Fire Department are prepared to risk their lives every day to save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire; and

**WHEREAS,** For an entire century, the well-trained, highly skilled members of the Harmony Corners Fire Department have been dedicated to providing effective fire suppression, fire prevention, and emergency medical services; and

**WHEREAS,** These volunteers, who are also our friends and neighbors, are an invaluable resource to our community, and it is fitting and proper to recognize these men and women who serve on a moment's notice without expecting anything in return; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities and publicly acknowledge the heroic good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers, and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Harmony Corners Fire Department to be celebrated on August 8, 2026; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the hierarchy of the Harmony Corners Fire Department.