

Assembly Resolution No. 282

**BY:** M. of A. McMahon

**HONORING** Firefighter Samuel Lunetta upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company

**WHEREAS,** Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our noble volunteer firefighters who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

**WHEREAS,** Volunteer 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 Firefighter Samuel Lunetta upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company, to be celebrated at its Annual Installation of Officers banquet on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at the Reikart Ballroom, Buffalo, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Samuel Lunetta has consistently demonstrated a level of commitment, dedication, integrity and professionalism which truly exemplifies excellence in the volunteer service; and

**WHEREAS,** A member of the North Bailey Fire Company since September 11, 1967, Samuel Lunetta has held numerous titles such as Safety Officer, Captain and has been the President of the North Bailey Exempt Association for over 40 years; and

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, Samuel Lunetta has been a member of the Softball team, Bowling team(s) and perennial Top 10 responder, including in 2017 when he suffered a stroke; he is passionate about teaching and has been an EMS and OSHA instructor for several decades; and

**WHEREAS,** Samuel Lunetta is a current director and longtime member of the Amherst Fire Council; and

**WHEREAS,** Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected volunteers 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; Samuel Lunetta is such a firefighter; throughout 50 years of devoted service, this volunteer 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 Samuel Lunetta upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the North Bailey Fire Company; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Samuel Lunetta.