

## 2013-J1112

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Outgoing Chief Patrick Theodore upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition as he completes his outstanding service as Chief of the East Williston Fire Department

WHEREAS, The firefighters of New York State are renowned throughout the Nation; their reputation is synonymous with excellence in the arduous field of fire protection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Since the early days of "teapot steamers," the volunteer firefighter has been the cornerstone of our great Nation's efforts to spare us from the ravages of fire; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commend Outgoing Chief Patrick Theodore upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition as he completes his outstanding service as Chief of the East Williston Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Theodore will be honored at the East Williston Fire Department's Annual Installation Dinner to be held on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Stewart Manor Country Club on Salisbury Avenue in Stewart Manor, New York; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; 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; Patrick Theodore is such a firefighter; throughout his many years of devoted service, this volunteer, Outgoing Chief Patrick Theodore, has 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 Patrick Theodore for his distinguished service to the East Williston Fire Department and his community; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Outgoing Chief Patrick Theodore.