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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the Manlius Fire Department

WHEREAS, It is in the sense of this Legislative Body to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the Manlius Fire Department, and to honor all of its past and present members, for providing the citizens of the Village of Manlius with 200 years of exemplary fire protection; and WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection in localities across this great State; and WHEREAS, For the past 200 years, the courageous and dedicated fire-fighters of the Manlius Fire Department have valiantly devoted their hard work and effort to respond to various fire emergencies, all while earning the praise and respect of the community in which they serve; and WHEREAS, The Manlius Fire Department first began serving citizens in 1813 from its original fire station on what is now called Flume Road; the fire station was then housed at the King and King Building from 1947 to 1968; and

WHEREAS, Presently, there are two stations in operation; Station 1 was constructed in 1968, and Station 2 was constructed in 1987; and WHEREAS, The Manlius Fire Department began its history with horse drawn wagons and a hay barn, and it has grown significantly throughout the years to include a wide array of modern fire and EMS equipment; and WHEREAS, Since its establishment in 1813, the Manlius Fire Department has grown its fleet to more than 10 modern fire and rescue vehicles, increased its emergency services and its membership, and made advancements in technology in order to meet the changing needs of the district; and

WHEREAS, For the past 200 years, the Manlius Fire Department has provided various fire and rescue services to the residents of the Village of Manlius and also the Town of Pompey, such as fire suppression, fire prevention, vehicle rescue, life support medical services, and community education programs; the fire department currently responds to more than 2,220 service calls a year; and WHEREAS, Each day, the brave members of the Manlius Fire Department prepare to risk their lives, in order to protect the life and property of all those living within their community; the department currently has 112 members on its roster; and WHEREAS, The State of New York cannot express sufficient gratitude to all of those trained and devoted individuals who serve and protect their communities through fire departments across the state, and enough cannot be said about the important role that a village fire department plays in the community; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize the Manlius Fire Department upon the occasion of its 200th Anniversary; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Buskey, Chief, Manlius Fire Department.