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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Firefighter John Fall, Sr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department

WHEREAS, The dedicated firefighters of the State of New York are renowned throughout the Nation; their reputation is synonymous with excellence in the arduous field of fire protection and prevention; and
WHEREAS, Volunteer fire departments and their outstanding members are an integral part of community protection in localities across this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor John Fall, Sr. as he marks 50 years of dedicated service with the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, John Fall, Sr. joined the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department on December 3, 1963, as a member of Mountain Top Hose Company, Solvay Station No. 2; and

WHEREAS, As a 50-year member of the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department, John Fall, Sr. has held the positions of Treasurer, Lieutenant, Captain, 2nd Deputy Chief, and 1st Deputy Fire Chief; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, John Fall, Sr. was named Chief of the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department; he proudly served as the Chief of the department until 1995; and

WHEREAS, John Fall, Sr. also has served on the Board of Directors for the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department since the department was incorporated in 1998; he currently holds the position of Board President; and

WHEREAS, In addition, John Fall, Sr. has been a long-time member of the New York State Association of Fire Chiefs, a member of FASNY (Firemen's Association of the State of New York) and the Onondaga County

Volunteer Firemen's Association; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, John Fall, Sr. received the Kish Kurtz Award for his outstanding service, dedication, advice, and loyal support to the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, John Fall, Sr., a lifetime resident of Solvay, New York, graduated from Solvay High School in 1960, and then from Powelson School of Business; he started his professional career at General Electric and retired from Crucible as production planning supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Continuing his commitment to public service, John Fall, Sr. also has served as a trustee for the Village of Solvay for about the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters, such as John Fall, Sr., not only provide the critical service of fire protection and prevention, but they also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Fire protection requires special dedication, a strong desire to help others, and a tireless sense of community in order to sacrifice time with family and friends to always be ready to respond to the call; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to hereby recognize and honor John Fall, Sr., as he marks 50 years of dedicated service with the Solvay Volunteer Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter John Fall, Sr.