2013-J3660

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Brian Flaks upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to Nassau County

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Brian Flaks upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to Nassau County; this momentous occasion will be celebrated at a retirement party in his honor on Thursday, February 27, 2014, at the Coral House, Baldwin, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1976, Brian Flaks graduated from Lawrence High School in Cedarhurst, New York, and joined the Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department in June of the same year; he served as the District's Fire Dispatcher from 1978 to 1981; and

WHEREAS, Appointed to Advance Operations, Brian Flaks served President Ronald Reagan, as well as Vice President George Bush, Sr., from 1981 to 1982; and

WHEREAS, Continuing his education, Brian Flaks attended Nassau County Community College, SUNY New Paltz, and New York University; he earned a Paralegal Certificate from New York Institute of Technology in 1991; and WHEREAS, For the past 30 years, Brian Flaks rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to Nassau County, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, A true hero, Brian Flaks was recognized by the Nassau County Fire Commission in 1991, for his courageous actions in rescuing three people trapped in an apartment fire; and

WHEREAS, Brian Flaks has served Nassau County for more than three

decades in the capacity of Fire Communications and Social Services, as well as Fire Marshal, the esteemed position from which he will retire; and

WHEREAS, President of the Nassau County Fire Marshal's Benevolent Association from 2009 to 2013, Brian Flaks served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Brian Flaks upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to Nassau County; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brian Flaks.