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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Kelly VanDyke upon the occasion of being named EMS Person of the Year by the Delmar-Bethlehem EMS

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Kelly VanDyke upon the occasion of being named EMS Person of the Year by the Delmar-Bethlehem EMS, to be celebrated on March 3, 2014, at the Community Awards held at the Nathaniel Adams American Legion Post 1040, Delmar, New York; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer ambulance corps members are an important part of the safety net of America's healthcare system; they provide lifesaving care to those in need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, Since joining the Delmar-Bethlehem EMS three years ago, Kelly VanDyke has had an outstanding impact on the success and values of this esteemed organization; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman has dedicated hundreds of hours to being on call for her ambulance squad; in 2013, she has selflessly responded to close to 100 emergency calls, and has rarely missed a training session or meeting; and

WHEREAS, As well as an Emergency Medical Technician, Kelly VanDyke is a Registered Nurse and serves as the Health and Safety Officer at

Delmar-Bethlehem EMS; she has been pivotal in leading the drive for following best practices in patient and responder safety; and WHEREAS, Kelly VanDyke is known within her community for her excellence and professionalism, as well as always going the extra mile in the performance of her duties; her hard work embodies the dedication, compassion, and respect emergency responders possess in great measure; and

WHEREAS, In the faithful performance of her duties and volunteer efforts, Kelly VanDyke's ongoing endeavors and notable achievements have significantly contributed to bettering the quality of life in her community; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Kelly VanDyke upon the occasion of being named EMS Person of the Year by the Delmar-Bethlehem EMS; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kelly VanDyke.