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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring outgoing Fire Chief Brian Sherwood after many years of distinguished service to the New Hyde Park 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Brian Sherwood after completing two full terms as Fire Chief of the New Hyde Park Fire Department to be celebrated at its Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, March 29, 2014, at Leonard's Palazzo of Great Neck, New York; and

WHEREAS, Brian Sherwood was appointed to the New Hyde Park Fire Department on January 21, 1992; he served as Chief of the Department from 2008 until 2014; 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; Brian Sherwood is such a firefighter; throughout his years of devoted service, this volunteer 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

honor outgoing Fire Chief Brian Sherwood after many years of distinguished service to the New Hyde Park Fire Department; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to outgoing Fire Chief Brian Sherwood.