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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring James Buff for 50 years of dedicated service to the Skaneateles Volunteer Fire Department

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize brave citizens who have played a significant role in making our community a great place to live, and to celebrate the contributions and sacrifices they have made to our society to ensure the safety and the advancement of the quality of life for all residents; and

WHEREAS, Within every community in the State of New York, there are certain individuals who unselfishly devote themselves to public service, and demonstrate great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize and honor James Buff for 50 years of dedicated service to the Skaneateles Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, In October 1963, James Buff joined the Coon Hill Fire Company, one of the Skaneateles Fire Department's fire districts located outside of the Village of Skaneateles that was officially formed in 1959; and

WHEREAS, During his career, James Buff was Lieutenant and Captain of the Coon Hill Company, District 2, Assistant Fire Chief for 10 consecutive years, Finance Secretary for 14 consecutive years, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the 175th Celebration, Chairman of the Firehouse Sponsorship Committee, Chairman of the Labor Day Celebration, President of the Skaneateles Volunteer Fire Department, and the announcer for the Labor Day Parade; and also emceed the Skaneateles Fire Department's Installation Dinner for more than 45 years; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the long history of the Skaneateles Fire Depart-

ment, one thing has remained constant, the dedication, hard-work, commitment and sacrifices of men and women like James Buff; and WHEREAS, James Buff has volunteered his time year in and year out, working long hours and sacrificing time with his family to protect the lives and properties of his neighbors and fellow residents of Skaneateles; and

WHEREAS, After 50 years, James Buff still continues to serve the residents of Skaneateles and surrounding communities as an active fireman; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize and honor James Buff for his 50 years of dedicated service to the Skaneateles Volunteer Fire Department, the residents of Skaneateles and surrounding areas; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Buff.