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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Past President Michael Horne upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after many years of dedicated service to the Albertson Fire Company

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Past President Michael Horne upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after many years of dedicated service to the Albertson Fire Company, to be celebrated at its 104th Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, April 5, 2014, at The Royalton in Roslyn Heights, New York; and

WHEREAS, Michael Horne began his fire service career with the Albertson Fire Company in Albertson, New York on December 12, 1999; he served as Sergeant of Arms from 2004 to 2006, and Financial Secretary from 2006 to 2008; and

WHEREAS, Rising through the ranks, Michael Horne became the Vice President of Albertson Fire Company in 2011, before stepping up as President in 2012; 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, A true asset to society, Michael Horne's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; 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; Michael Horne is such a firefighter; throughout his many 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 commend Past President Michael Horne upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after many years of dedicated service to the Albertson Fire Company; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Michael Horne, Past President, Albertson Fire Company.