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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Ex-Chief Michael Uttaro upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville 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, This Legislative Body is proud to commend Ex-Chief Michael Uttaro upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department, to be celebrated at its 102nd Installation Dinner on Saturday, April 12, 2014, at the Long Island Marriott Hotel in Uniondale, New York; 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, Ex-Chief Michael Uttaro has been a member of Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department Company No. 5 since August 10, 1989; he served as 2nd Lieutenant from 1994 to 1996, 1st Lieutenant from 1996 to 1998, Company Captain from 1998 to 2000, and Chief of Department from 2009 to 2010; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his loving wife, Doreen, and their three beautiful children, Nichole, Jaclyn and Mathew, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; 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; Ex-Chief Michael Uttaro is such a firefighter; throughout 25 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 Ex-Chief Michael Uttaro for 25 years of distinguished service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ex-Chief Michael Uttaro.