

## 2013-J4429

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Stephen Falco upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the North Lindenhurst 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 Firefighter Stephen Falco upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the North Lindenhurst Fire Department to be celebrated at its 57th Annual Installation Dinner on April 19, 2014, at the Fox Hollow, Woodbury, 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, Firefighter Stephen Falco joined the North Lindenhurst Fire Department in November of 1989; during this time, he was assigned to an Engine Company and has remained with this Engine Company for the past 25 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he promptly completed all firefighter training, obtained his certificate within the first year of membership, and has maintained his responsibility to the volunteer fire service; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his loving wife, Christine, and their three beautiful children, 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; Firefighter Stephen Falco 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 Firefighter Stephen Falco for 25 years of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Stephen Falco.