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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Daniel Raccomandato 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 Daniel Raccomandato 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 Saturday, April 19, 2014, at the Fox Hollow in Woodbury, New York; and WHEREAS, Daniel Raccomandato joined the North Lindenhurst Fire Department in November of 1989, and was assigned to Engine & Heavy Rescue Company No. 1, remaining in this company for 25 years; and WHEREAS, Within the first year of his enrollment, Daniel Raccomandato showed a genuine interest in and excellent understanding of firefighting courses, thereby promptly obtaining the mandatory firefighting certificate: and

WHEREAS, Daniel Raccomandato held the following line officer positions: 2nd Lieutenant, 1st Lieutenant, and Captain; he was also elected to the Executive Board, and served as 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President, and President; and

WHEREAS, Serving on several Department committees, Daniel Raccomandato has been an active member of the North Lindenhurst Fire Department Piston Knockers Drill Team, and Hitmen Softball Team; and WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Lorie, and their daughter, Maria, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; 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; Daniel Raccomandato 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 Daniel Raccomandato upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the North Lindenhurst Fire Department; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Firefighter Daniel Raccomandato.