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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Kenneth G. Lynch upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 29 years of dedicated service to the Otterkill Engine Company No. 1

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 Kenneth G. Lynch upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 29 years of dedicated service to the Otterkill Engine Company No. 1 to be celebrated at its Annual Banquet on Saturday, November 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth G. Lynch joined the Otterkill Engine Company No. 1. in 1985; and is a former 2nd Lieutenant; he is currently serving in the United States military; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth G. Lynch was named Firefighter of the Year in 1994; 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; Kenneth G. Lynch is such a firefighter; throughout 29 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 Kenneth G. Lynch for 29 years of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kenneth G. Lynch.