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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. upon the occasion of being awarded the 2015 Nassau County Emergency Management Service (EMS) Agency of the Year by the Nassau County Regional Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Council

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay just tribute to those individuals who devote their purposeful life to serving others, expressing its highest regard and admiration for the great skill and courageous dedication exhibited by those individuals who take prompt and heroic action in an emergency situation, without due regard for their own safety or welfare; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is proud to honor the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. upon the occasion of being awarded the 2015 Nassau County Emergency Management Service (EMS) Agency of the Year by the Nassau County Regional Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Council; and

WHEREAS, This event was celebrated at the Nassau County Regional EMS Council's Annual Awards Banquet on Thursday, October 15, 2015 at The Coral House in Baldwin, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Nassau County Regional EMS Council (REMSCo) was established in 1993 by an act of the New York State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, The Council consists of 30 members who live within the County of Nassau; one-third of the members are active EMS providers, one-third are hospital-based professionals and one-third represent other important aspects of EMS, some of which include communications and disaster management; and

WHEREAS, Every year, REMSCo evaluates the 80 career, hospital-based and volunteer EMS agencies in the County and selects one for this pres-

tigious award; subsequently, the Awards Dinner recognizes the services and individuals who have exhibited exemplary service to their respective agencies and community; and

WHEREAS, It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to be a volunteer firefighter, to respond to the signal that a neighbor is in need, and to heroically perform, often above and beyond the call of duty, those responsibilities which define the task of fire protection; and

WHEREAS, Emergency medical services providers have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care system; the members of the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. are ready to provide life-saving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, More than 75% of the emergency response in the great State of New York is volunteer; the selfless contribution that these men and women make to New York's quality of life cannot be replaced; and

WHEREAS, It is important for all citizens of our State and Nation to know and understand the problems, duties and responsibilities of the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. personnel, and that these brave volunteers recognize their duty to serve the public by safeguarding both life and property; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. upon the occasion of being awarded the 2015 Nassau County Emergency Management Service (EMS) Agency of the Year by the Nassau County Regional Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc.