

## 2015-K1209

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Department of Environmental Conservation Officer David Nally upon the occasion of being named 2015 Environmental Officer of the Year by the Pine Barrens Law Enforcement Council

WHEREAS, The quality and sanctity of community life are cherished values worthy of safeguarding, and this Legislative Body is moved to honor those exemplary public servants who devote their lives to preserving and protecting such values; and

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Department of Environmental Conservation Officer David Nally upon the occasion of being named 2015 Environmental Officer of the Year by the Pine Barrens Law Enforcement Council; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1994, the Pine Barrens Law Enforcement Council represents a coalition of 26 law enforcement groups working to coordinate stewardship of the Long Island Central Pine Barrens; currently, the organization is responsible for the protection of approximately five million acres of public lands; and

WHEREAS, Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Officer David Nally of Riverhead, New York, is being recognized for his tireless efforts in protecting this environmentally sensitive area from illegal use by drivers of all-terrain vehicles (ATV); and

WHEREAS, David Nally graduated from the DEC Law Enforcement Training Academy in 2013, and has served as part of his agency's Division of Forest Protection patrolling for illegal ATV use, dumping and hunting; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Officer David Nally has ably carried out such

vital duties as fighting wildfires, containing pine beetle infestations, and responding to damaging storms on Long Island; and WHEREAS, Through his distinguished service, Officer David Nally demonstrated his concern for the environment and the welfare of others, personifying the collective concern of public servants across the community of the State of New York who respond when others are in need of help; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Department of Environmental Conservation Officer David Nally upon the occasion of being named 2015 Environmental Officer of the Year by the Pine Barrens Law Enforcement Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Department of Environmental Conservation Officer David Nally.