

## 2015-J5136

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter P. Robert Podolski for his 50 years of distinguished service to the North Bellmore 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 P. Robert Podolski for his 50 years of distinguished service to the North Bellmore Fire Department to be celebrated at the Department's Annual Installation Dinner held on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at the Melville Marriott in Melville, New York; and

WHEREAS, For the past five decades, P. Robert Podolski has rendered loyal, faithful, and conscientious service to the North Bellmore Fire Department; 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; P. Robert Podolski is such a firefighter; throughout his 50 years of devoted service, he has 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 P. Robert Podolski for his 50 years of distinguished

service to the North Bellmore Fire Department; and be it further  
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to P. Robert Podolski.