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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending former Chief Michael J. Rut 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 former Chief Michael J. Rut 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, Michael J. Rut has rendered loyal, faithful, and valuable service to the North Bellmore Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, During his illustrious tenure as Chief, Michael J. Rut was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; 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; Michael J. Rut 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 former Chief Michael J. Rut 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 Michael J. Rut.