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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department to be celebrated on July 4, 2016

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 150 years of fire protection to the citizens of Clinton, New York, and its surrounding communities; and WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 150 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and WHEREAS, In 1866, the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department was founded in Clinton, New York; today, the company responds to 1,000 calls each year, protecting not only the village, but also the Town of Kirkland, New York, from threats of fire and mother nature; and WHEREAS, With a membership of approximately 100 dedicated firefighters, the record of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 150 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and WHEREAS, The brave firefighters of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department are prepared to risk their lives every day to help save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the skill and devoted service demonstrated by individual firefighters, the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department reflects the history and development of firefighting over the past 150 years; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to

those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and acknowledge publicly the heroic good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department to be celebrated on July 4, 2016; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department.