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Senate Resolution No. 701

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

HONORING outgoing Chairman Michael Tedeschi upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 20 years of dedicated service to the Port Washington Fire Department, Inc. on April 8, 2017

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our noble volunteer firefighters who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer Firefighters exemplify the power of human compassion and the strength of the American spirit through actions of the most heroic magnitude; their sacrifices and their selfless dedication merit tribute and recognition by all citizens of this great country; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor outgoing Chairman Michael Tedeschi upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 20 years of dedicated service to the Port Washington Fire Department, Inc. to be celebrated at its Bi-Annual Installation and Inspection Dinner on Saturday, April 8, 2017, at the Crescent Beach Club in Bayville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Michael Tedeschi joined the Port Washington Fire Department

on February 3, 1997; he was elected to the Board of Directors on January 7, 2008, and officially took office on March 17, 2008; and

WHEREAS, A natural born leader, Michael Tedeschi quickly rose through the ranks holding numerous positions including Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Chairman and Chairman; on January 18, 2016, he was once again elected to the title of Vice Chairman, a role he held until the end of his term in 2017; and

WHEREAS, For his dedicated and enthusiastic service to the Port Washington Fire Department, Michael Tedeschi was the recipient of the 2016 Nassau County Firematic Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters unwaveringly serve our great State with pride, valor, and integrity; these respected volunteers are often the first to respond to an emergency, whether the emergency is a fire, transportation accident, natural disaster, act of terrorism, medical crisis, or spill of hazardous materials; 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 Tedeschi is such a firefighter; throughout 20 years of devoted service, this volunteer 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 honor outgoing Chairman Michael Tedeschi upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 20 years of dedicated service to the Port Washington Fire Department, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to outgoing Chairman Michael Tedeschi.