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Assembly Resolution No. 553

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HONORING Officer Ryan VanAmburgh upon the occasion  
of his designation as recipient of the Life Saving  
Award by the Town of Bethlehem

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, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of  
certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their  
valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly  
acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among  
us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Officer Ryan  
VanAmburgh upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Life  
Saving Award by the Town of Bethlehem, celebrated at a Ceremony on  
Thursday, May 11, 2017, at the Town of Bethlehem Court, in Delmar, New  
York; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Bethlehem honored police department members for  
outstanding service in recognition of Police Week in conjunction with  
National Police Week; Officer Ryan VanAmburgh was awarded for actions  
which resulted in the saving of a life; and

WHEREAS, The Life Saving Award is bestowed upon an individual for an act performed in the line of duty, without regard for his own safety to ensure the lives of citizens were safe; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, June 22, 2016, off-duty Officer Ryan VanAmburgh was traveling on the highway in the City of Albany; after noticing a vehicle on the side of the road with a passerby conducting CPR, he stopped to assist; he immediately began performing lifesaving measures until the arrival of State Police and Albany Fire Department Paramedics; and

WHEREAS, Due to the swift actions of Officer Ryan VanAmburgh and the others, the woman was released from the hospital within one week and has made a full recovery; if not for his willingness and desire to help others, the outcome would have been very different; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Officer Ryan VanAmburgh upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Life Saving Award by the Town of Bethlehem; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Officer Ryan VanAmburgh.