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Senate Resolution No. 3946

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

HONORING outgoing-President Konata Ragin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after many years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department

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-President Konata Ragin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after many years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department, to be celebrated at its Annual Awards Night on Thursday, May 3, 2018, in Great Neck, New York; and

WHEREAS, Konata Ragin joined the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department on January 10, 1991; throughout his 27 years of service, he held several positions within Company No. 3 including: 2nd Lieutenant, 1st

Lieutenant, Captain, Department Secretary, Department Sergeant-At-Arms, Department Vice President and Department President; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, he has served as Company President from 2016 to 2017, and as Chairman of the Manhasset-Lakeville Junior Firefighter program; 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; Konata Ragin is such a firefighter; throughout 27 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-President Konata Ragin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after many years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to outgoing-President Konata Ragin.