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Senate Resolution No. 4135

BY: Senator O'MARA

HONORING Chief James Steiner upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Baldwin Volunteer 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 Chief James Steiner upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Baldwin Volunteer Fire Department, to be celebrated on Saturday, March 24, 2018; and

WHEREAS, James Steiner joined the Baldwin Volunteer Fire Department on August 17, 1967; he has served in the esteemed position of Chief for 36 years; in addition, he has served for many years as the Chairperson of the Chemung County Fire Advisory Board; and WHEREAS, A lifelong resident and pillar of the Baldwin-North Chemung community, James Steiner has served as both a firefighter and an emergency medical technician; 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; James Steiner is such a firefighter; throughout 50 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 Chief James Steiner upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Baldwin Volunteer Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief James Steiner.