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Senate Resolution No. 4597

BY: Senator LAVALLE

COMMENDING Firefighter Ronald E. Vogt upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Firefighter of the Year by the Manorville Fire Department on April 28, 2018

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 commend Firefighter Ronald E. Vogt upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Firefighter of the Year by the Manorville Fire Department to be celebrated at its 76th Annual Inspection Dinner on Saturday, April 28, 2018, at Majestic Gardens in Rocky Point, New York; and

WHEREAS, After serving as a member of the Miller Place Fire Department from 1979-1992, Ronald E. Vogt joined the Manorville Fire Department in August of 1992; throughout his 25 years of service, he has held the position of Treasurer and sat on the Board of Directors from 2001-2010; and

WHEREAS, Since 2012, Ronald E. Vogt has served as the Department's Safety Officer, and holds the title of Chairman of the Fire Prevention Committee; in this capacity, he coordinates fire prevention activities at open houses and local schools; 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; Ronald E. Vogt is such a firefighter; throughout 25 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 commend Firefighter Ronald E. Vogt upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Firefighter of the Year by the Manorville Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Ronald E. Vogt.