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Senate Resolution No. 4810

BY: Senator YOUNG

HONORING John J. Sullivan upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the M.M. Fenner Hose Company No. 2

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor fire departments and their members who have exhibited great dedication, courage and selflessness in protecting their neighbors from fire and other disasters in this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, The firefighters of New York State are renowned throughout the Nation; their reputation is synonymous with excellence in the arduous field of fire protection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor John J. Sullivan upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the M.M. Fenner Hose Company No. 2; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and emergency medical personnel not only provide the critical service of fire protection and medical care, but also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, John J. Sullivan was born on January 18, 1939, to parents, Ester and Thomas; he graduated from Cardinal Mindszenty High School, and was employed in March of 1962 as a Postal Clerk for the Fredonia Post Office, serving as Supervisor and Postmaster of the Silver Creek Post Office; he retired in October of 1992; and

WHEREAS, John J. Sullivan is married to his wife, Fran, and together they are the loving parents of three children, Alexandria, Robert and Karen; they have been further blessed with four grandchildren, Megan, Brian, Michael and Grace; he enjoys spending quality time with his family and travelling with his friends; and

WHEREAS, The knowledge that John J. Sullivan possesses and has shared with others over the course of his last 50 years of dedicated volunteer service to the Fredonia Fire Department and M.M. Fenner Hose Company No. 2 is remarkable and a testament to a true mentor, leader and friend; 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 carry out the vital mission of volunteer fire departments; and

WHEREAS, Observing that special recognition should be given to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and that they should be acknowledged publicly for their heroic good works as volunteer firefighters in this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor John J. Sullivan upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the M.M. Fenner Hose Company No. 2; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John J. Sullivan.