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Assembly Resolution No. 1141

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HONORING Forest Ranger David Cornell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Raymond Murray Award by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Forest Protection

WHEREAS, The quality and sanctity of community life are cherished values worthy of safeguarding, and this Legislative Body is moved to honor those exemplary public servants who devote their lives to preserving and protecting such values; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Forest Ranger David Cornell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Raymond Murray Award by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Forest Protection, to be celebrated at its Forest Ranger Awards Ceremony on Thursday, March 29, 2018, at the Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The highest fulfillment of the position of New York State Forest Ranger, the Raymond Murray Award is presented to sworn members who, by a conspicuous act of valor, courage, integrity, resourcefulness and bravery in the protection of our natural resources and/or the safety of the public, clearly set them apart from other persons; and

WHEREAS, On the morning of Wednesday, June 15, 2016, Ranger David Cornell responded to a 911 radio dispatch for a personal injury motorcycle crash at the intersection of Teelin Road and Oswego Road in the Town of Vienna; and

WHEREAS, The first on the scene, Ranger David Cornell found the motorcycle operator had suffered a severe leg injury with a deep laceration and major arterial bleeding; and

WHEREAS, Without hesitation, Ranger David Cornell removed his issued tourniquet and applied it the patient's injured leg to control the bleeding; he then assisted arriving EMTs with further patient care and the eventual transport to a helicopter airlift; and

WHEREAS, Ranger Cornell's quick medical response likely saved the patient's life; his calm and collected demeanor, decision making and actions were impeccable and the finest display of professionalism; and

WHEREAS, So aptly demonstrating his character and compassion for the welfare of others, Ranger David Cornell truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and acknowledge publicly the heroic actions performed by the Forest Rangers of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Forest Ranger David Cornell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Raymond Murray Award by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Forest Protection;

and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Forest Ranger David Cornell.