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Senate Resolution No. 5398

BY: Senator MARCELLINO

COMMENDING Firefighter Frank Ozol upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years as an Active Class-A Firefighter on June 9, 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 Frank Ozol upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years as an Active Class-A Firefighter to be celebrated at a party held in his honor on Saturday, June 9, 2018, at the Atlantic Steamer Fire Company in Oyster Bay, New York; and

WHEREAS, From May of 1968 through 1981, Frank Ozol was a vital member of the Melville Fire Department; in September of 1981, he joined Atlantic Steamer Fire Company No. 1; throughout his 37 years of service,

he held the position of Chief from 1997-1998 and 2005-2007; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Kathy, and their two children, Justin and Sara, all of whom have shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; 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; Frank Ozol 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 commend Firefighter Frank Ozol upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years as an Active Class-A Firefighter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Frank Ozol.