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Senate Resolution No. 5454

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Donald Kreger upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Career Achievement Award by the Police Benevolent Association of New York State on May 1, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, merit the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Donald Kreger upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Career Achievement Award by the Police Benevolent Association of New York State celebrated at an Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born in North Tonawanda, New York, Donald Kreger enjoyed a

long and distinguished career working for various colleges and universities throughout the State of New York for 35 years; and

WHEREAS, From 1982-2010, Donald Kreger served as an Investigator with the New York State University Police at the University at Buffalo; in this capacity, he performed general crime prevention patrols and traffic control; investigated criminal, traffic, safety and service complaints; and enforced state, local, and university laws, rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Donald Kreger was instrumental in making many positive changes to the Department; through his tireless efforts, legislation was passed granting SUNY officers full police officer status in 1999, and subsequently, SUNY Public Safety officially became the New York State University Police; and

WHEREAS, Donald Kreger served as a campus union representative at both SUNY Geneseo and University at Buffalo under American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Council 82; he also held the title of President for the New York State University Police from 1990-1999, representing 500 State University Police officers, investigators and civilian dispatchers at New York's 29 state-operated campuses; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; and

WHEREAS, It is the further sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their

profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Donald Kreger upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Career Achievement Award by the Police Benevolent Association of New York State on May 1, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donald Kreger.