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Senate Resolution No. 678

**BY: Senator O'MARA** 

HONORING Deputy Chief Robert Dedominick upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Watkins Glen Fire Department

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 honor Deputy Chief Robert Dedominick upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Watkins Glen Fire Department to be celebrated at this year's Installation Dinner on Saturday, April 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Robert Dedominick, affectionately known as Robby, joined the Watkins Glen Fire Department on April 7, 1973; throughout his 50 years of service, he held several positions within the Department including: firefighter, Chief and Deputy Chief of the department; and WHEREAS, Always working to better the department and keep it growing, Deputy Chief Robert Dedominick is an interior firefighter, helping with department training, as well as anything else that is needed; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Robert Dedominick works for the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control at the New York State Frederick L. Warder Academy of Fire Science in Montour Falls, New York, as a firefighting instructor; 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; Robert Dedominick is one such firefighter; throughout his five decades 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 honor Deputy Chief Robert Dedominick upon the occasion of his

designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Watkins Glen Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Deputy Chief Robert Dedominick.