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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dennis Daly in recognition of his heroic action in rescuing a young woman from a vehicle crash on November 26, 2012

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the caring, concern and heroic acts of individuals who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, remaining calm under pressure, in an effort to preserve the life of another; and

WHEREAS, The quality and sanctity of human life are cherished values, worthy of safeguarding; this Legislative Body is proud to honor an individual who would serve to protect it, lauding particularly one who would clearly endanger his own life and safety on behalf of that cause; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dennis Daly in recognition of his heroic action in rescuing a young woman from a vehicle crash on November 26, 2012; and

WHEREAS, On Monday, November 26, 2012, a young woman who was on her way to class at SUNY Adirondack lost control of her car after hitting some black ice on Call Street in Lake Luzerne, New York; and

WHEREAS, Warren County Department of Public Works employee Dennis Daly, who was part of a crew that was salting and sanding Call Street in Lake Luzerne that Monday, came across the vehicle on its passenger side just off the pavement; and

WHEREAS, He noticed that smoke was pouring from the car's engine, and the driver was unable to get out because her seat belt was stuck; and

WHEREAS, Without hesitation or concern for his own safety, Dennis Daly instinctually ran to the burning car while his co-workers stopped traffic on each side of the road; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Daly tried the driver-side door, but it would not open, so he entered the car through a back door; he helped the woman out of the car and even went back for her purse; only minutes later, the car burst into flames; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Daly should be meritoriously commended for remaining calm under pressure and for showing valor and true courage while performing a lifesaving deed; and

WHEREAS, Through his spontaneous and heroic actions, Dennis Daly demonstrated his character and his compassion for the welfare of others, personifying, by virtue of his actions, the collective concern of ordinary citizens across the community of New York State who voluntarily respond without the thought of danger or reward when others are in need of help; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dennis Daly in recognition of his heroic action in rescuing a young woman from a vehicle crash on November 26, 2012; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dennis Daly.