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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Hughsonville Fire Department

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Hughsonville Fire Department and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 100 years of fire protection to the citizens of the Town of Wappinger, New York and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is also justly proud to commend the Hughsonville Fire Department for its assistance and support in the September 11th cleanup and, more recently, for its assistance on Long Island helping Massapequa, New York with the cleanup after Superstorm Sandy; and

WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 100 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Hughsonville Fire Department have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and WHEREAS, With a membership of dedicated firefighters, the record of the Hughsonville Fire Department in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 100 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and WHEREAS, The brave firefighters of the Hughsonville Fire Department are prepared to risk their lives every day to help save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire: and

WHEREAS, In addition to the skill and devoted service demonstrated by individual firefighters, the Hughsonville Fire Department reflects the history and development of firefighting over the past 100 years; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; 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 good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Hughsonville Fire Department; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to the Hughsonville Fire Department.