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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Past Chief John Moulin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the East Amherst Fire Department

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our valiant firefighters who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Past Chief John Moulin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the East Amherst Fire Department on Saturday, February 21, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Time and time again, Past Chief John Moulin has proven himself as a true leader and has served as an exemplary mentor to his fellow firefighters; during his esteemed tenure, he has served multiple terms as Assistant Chief, Fire Chief, Treasurer, Vice President, President and member of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Amassing 50 years of protecting the citizens and visitors of the towns of Amherst and Clarence is a notable milestone of that few fellow firefighters have achieved, and reflects a lifetime of dedication, commitment and vigilance of which Past Chief John Moulin has earned the highest respect and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, The firefighters of New York State are renowned throughout the Nation; their reputation is synonymous with excellence in the arduous field of fire protection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Since the early days of "teapot steamers," the volunteer firefighter has been the cornerstone of our great Nation's efforts to spare us from the ravages of fire; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activ-

ities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; 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; Past Chief John Moulin 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 Past Chief John Moulin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the East Amherst Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Past Chief John Moulin.