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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the Bedford Police Department upon the occasion of its 100th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the significant milestones of those organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment which serve to protect, preserve and maintain public order; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Bedford Police Department upon the occasion of its 100th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Operating 24-hours a day, seven days a week, the Bedford Police Department provides the latest in professional police protection to citizens in New Bedford, New York; and

WHEREAS, Led by Chief Chris Menzel and three Lieutenants who serve as commanders of the patrol, administration and staff services divisions, the Bedford Police Department consists of 45 sworn police officers and 14 full and part-time civilians; and

WHEREAS, The Bedford Police Department includes a Detective Bureau with a full time Detective/Youth Officer who is responsible for juvenile and youth related matters including the DARE program and Youth Court; he also works closely with schools and is liaison to the local drug abuse prevention council; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Bedford Police Department has a "School Resource Officer" who is assigned to work with the various schools in the Town of New Bedford as well; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body commends the Bedford Police Department for its excellence and for its commitment and contributions to the community it has so ably served for the past 100 years; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Bedford Police Department upon the occasion of its 100th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Bedford Police Department.