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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Ex-Chief Herman Wiegand upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department, Great Neck, New York

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Ex-Chief Herman Wiegand upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department, Great Neck, New York, to be celebrated at its Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, April 18, 2009, at The Long Island Marriot, Uniondale, New York; and

WHEREAS, Employed as the Nassau County Fire Marshal, Herman Wiegand joined the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department on September 4, 1959; since then, he has served the Department in numerous capacities, including: 2nd Lieutenant, 1970-1972; 1st Lieutenant, 1972-1974; Captain, 1974-1976; Deputy Chief, 1985-1993; and Chief, 1993-1995; and WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activities of great benefit and importance to the communities they serve; and WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Joan, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; 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; Herman Wiegand 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 Ex-Chief Herman Wiegand upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Manhas-

set-Lakeville Fire Department, Great Neck, New York; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ex-Chief Herman Wiegand.