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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and to honor its past and present members for 75 years of support of the East Islip Fire Department and the citizens of East Islip, New York and surrounding Suffolk County communities; and

WHEREAS, Historically, the ladies auxiliary of a volunteer fire company has been organized to assist and encourage the fire company in its good work; it is the aim of the ladies auxiliary to cultivate a spirit of harmony, to promote sociability and to sustain the esteem and admiration of the communities it serves; and

WHEREAS, Founded on March 11, 1937, the East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary has, for 75 years, carried out these important functions in an exemplary manner, providing an invaluable service to the fire department and community; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, the East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary has selflessly served and supported the East Islip Fire Department in many ways, preparing dinners for various occasions, assisting at fundraisers and during fire prevention programs, responding to headquarters whenever needed and providing food and refreshments, as well as emotional support, to its members while on the scene of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The members of the East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary in addition, help the department's firefighters with Fire Prevention, the department's Easter Party for the firefighters and their children, the Holiday Toy Drive, the Fire Department's Tree Lighting ceremony, and the Annual Scholarships for East Islip High School and St. Mary's High

School students given in memory of one of the auxiliary's founding members, Adele Krenicky; and

WHEREAS, They also assist the Annual Adopt-a-Fireman program, support the National Burn Victim Foundation, participate in the Memorial Day and St. Patrick's Day Parades, and help with Signal 8 services for fire-fighters during large fires, as well as other various community activities; and

WHEREAS, East Islip Fire Department members truly appreciate the 20 current members of the department's Ladies Auxiliary, knowing that when they are physically exhausted and emotionally drained, whether chilled to the bone or withering from the heat, they will be able to look up and see an auxiliary member standing there with a candy bar, sandwich or a cup of soup, and a warm smiling face; and

WHEREAS, It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to volunteer selflessly, supporting and assisting the firemen in the provision of fire protection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, For 75 years, whether at a family dinner or a holiday celebration, when the fire alarm has sounded, these selfless volunteers have left their homes and jobs to help the firefighters in pursuit of their duty; and

WHEREAS, The East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is prepared daily to carry out its accepted responsibilities, not only serving but also enhancing the quality of life in their community and advancing the perception of East Islip as a caring and united community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor and warmly congratulate the East Islip Fire Department Ladies

Auxiliary and its past and present members upon the occasion of its 75th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to the East Islip Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.