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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad upon the occasion of its 50th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to organizations within the State of New York which provide vital emergency medical rescue services; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad upon the occasion of the celebration of its 50th Anniversary on May 19, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Greenlawn Fire Department responds to all medical emergencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; throughout the 50-year history of the Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad, its members have worked tirelessly to bring the best quality of care to the residents of Greenlawn, New York and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, The Greenlawn Volunteer Fire Department has proudly provided Emergency Medical Services to the community for 50 years; from the days of simple First Aid in the back of Cadillac ambulances to the most modern sophistication of today's Advanced Life Support, the Rescue Squad currently responds to nearly 1,400 calls for EMS assistance every year, an average of almost four calls per day; and

WHEREAS, The Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad protects the community with three New York State/Suffolk County Certified ALS ambulances, two BLS First Responder vehicles, and a Medic First Responder, with care provided by four Paramedics, four Advanced EMTs, and more than thirty-five Emergency Medical Technicians; and

WHEREAS, Its EMS providers are trained and certified to National, State, and County standards; medical direction is provided by Dr. Jack Gefken, who oversees quality assurance and improvement under the direction of the Suffolk EMS Medical Director; and

WHEREAS, Basic and Advanced Life Support are provided on scene and en

route to the hospital following established medical protocols and through direct contact with medical control MDs at Stony Brook University Hospital; and

WHEREAS, All the individuals associated with the Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad, past and present, merit the highest commendation for their contributions to the noble missions of this life-saving organization; 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad upon the occasion of its 50th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Greenlawn Fire Department Rescue Squad.