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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring outgoing commander Karen Flinn for her distinguished service to the Jones Beach Power Squadron

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor outgoing commander Karen Flinn for her distinguished service to the Jones Beach Power Squadron, to be celebrated at its Change of Watch Ceremony on

March 7, 2013 in Seaford, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Jones Beach Power Squadron is a Unit of the United States Power Squadrons; as one of the largest squadrons on Long Island, it has been providing safe boating through education and other community services for the south shore area of Long Island and the Town of Oyster Bay since 1954; and

WHEREAS, As the Commander of the Jones Beach Power Squadron, Karen Flinn stepped up to the demand for the need of safer basic boating classes for the public in the past and upcoming year; she has led the Squadron during the last year presiding over all general meetings, executive meetings and all of the educational classes the Squadron sponsors to its membership, the membership of the United States Power Squadrons, and the public; and

WHEREAS, Commander Flinn has also been extremely active in the W.A.K.E Up Program; this community program involves its members who volunteer their time to do multiple clean ups throughout the year for the local waters and beaches; and

WHEREAS, Among all of her other duties, Commander Flinn is also one of the vessel safety examiners; the Squadron offers free vessel inspections for all recreational boats that require New York State safety equipment along with the necessary New York State documentation; and WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Karen Flinn's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor outgoing commander Karen Flinn for her distinguished service to the Jones Beach Power Squadron; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Karen Flinn.