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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending ex-Captain Richard Patiri upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 45 years of dedicated service to the North Lindenhurst Fire Department

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, Since the early days of "teapot steamers," the volunteer firefighter has been the cornerstone of our great Nation's efforts to spare us from the ravages of fire; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commend ex-Captain Richard Patiri upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 45 years of dedicated service to the North Lindenhurst Fire Department, to be celebrated at its 58th Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, April 25, 2015, at the East Wind Caterers in Wading River, New York; and

WHEREAS, In March 1970, Richard Patiri joined the North Lindenhurst Fire Department as a member of the Engine Company No. 2; his record contains numerous firefighting training certificates; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished service to Engine Company No. 2, Richard Patiri held several line officer positions including Financial Secretary, 2nd Lieutenant, 1st Lieutenant, and Captain; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Richard Patiri served as Executive Board Trustee, a position he currently holds; and

WHEREAS, A long-time resident of Lindenhurst, Richard Patiri presently lives in Bay Shore, New York, and is self-employed; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, whom feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; 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, 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; Richard Patiri is such a firefighter; throughout 45 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-Captain Richard Patiri upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 45 years of dedicated service to the North Lindenhurst Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to ex-Captain Richard Patiri.