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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Irvington Fire Chief Chris DePaoli in recognition of his heroic actions in stopping a violent attack at the Irvington Metro-North Station

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize the caring concern and heroic acts of individuals who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Irvington Fire Chief Chris DePaoli in recognition of his heroic actions in stopping a violent attack at the Irvington Train Station; and

WHEREAS, On April 8, 2015, Fire Chief Chris DePaoli was driving with his two daughters when, after pulling up near a stop sign at the Irvington Metro-North Station, he observed a man with a knife threatening a woman; and

WHEREAS, Responding without hesitation, or concern for his own safety, Fire Chief Chris DePaoli retrieved a baseball bat from his trunk and rushed to the scene to provide assistance; and

WHEREAS, This courageous man separated the victim and her assailant, and police officers arrived shortly thereafter to subdue the attacker before he could commit further harm; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Chris DePaoli should be meritoriously commended for remaining calm under pressure and for showing valor and true courage while performing a lifesaving deed; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Chris DePaoli has been a proud member of the Irvington Fire Department for many years, and has dedicated his life to helping others; and

WHEREAS, Through his heroic actions, Fire Chief Chris DePaoli demonstrated his character and his compassion for the welfare of others,

personifying, by virtue of his actions, the collective concern of citizens across the community of New York State who respond without the thought of danger or reward when others are in need of help; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to Irvington Fire Chief Chris DePaoli in recognition of his heroic actions in stopping a violent attack at the Irvington Metro-North Station; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Irvington Fire Chief Chris DePaoli.