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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Firefighter Eugene Fiegl upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Main-Transit 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 Firefighter Eugene Fiegl upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Main-Transit Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of the Town of Amherst, New York, where he raised his family, Eugene Fiegl has ably served the people of his community as a member of the Main-Transit Fire Department (MTFD) for half a century; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Eugene Fiegl worked with the Amherst Highway Department after 25 years, and spent over 35 years as a Legislative Committee delegate; and

WHEREAS, During his illustrious tenure with the MTFD, Eugene Fiegl served as a three time President and two-time Vice President; he was also elected to multiple terms on both the Board of Directors and Building Committee; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his lifetime of service, Eugene Fiegl has been to nearly every MTFD work detail, fund drive, parade, tournament, state drill, practice and old field day; he also remains one of the most influential and longest running liaisons between the Town of Amherst and the fire department; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Fiegl has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; his efforts were instrumental in building the race track and training facility, as well as in setting up the town's Service Award program; and

WHEREAS, In his official acts, Eugene Fiegl was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems, earning him the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; 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; Eugene Fiegl is such a firefighter; throughout over 50 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 Firefighter Eugene Fiegl upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Main-Transit Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Firefighter Eugene Fiegl.