

## 2015-J3708

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Captain Ronald Henderson upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to Protection Fire Company No.1

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 Captain Ronald Henderson upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 50 years of dedicated service to the Port Washington Fire Department to be celebrated at its Annual Installation/Inspection ceremony on Saturday, April 2, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Henderson began his career with Protection Fire Company No.1 five decades ago, and rose through the ranks to the esteemed position of Department Captain; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed firefighter has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; 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; Captain Ronald Henderson is such a firefighter; throughout his 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 Captain Ronald Henderson for 50 years of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Captain Ronald Henderson.