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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Danielle Jachlewski upon the occasion of being named the first female Lieutenant in the Carman Fire Department in the Town of Rotterdam, in Schenectady County

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 Danielle Jachlewski upon the occasion of being named the first female Lieutenant in the Carman Fire Department in the Town of Rotterdam, in Schenectady County; and

WHEREAS, As a young child, Danielle Jachlewski dreamt of becoming a firefighter; she fondly remembers watching her grandfather, the late Raymond Jachlewski, and his fellow firefighters from the Carman Fire Department, Schenectady, New York, fight raging fires and help bring countless people to safety; and

WHEREAS, In 2010, Danielle Jachlewski joined the all-volunteer department in Rotterdam, New York; the lone female member, she earned the respect of her fellow firefighters, and quickly rose through the ranks, holding the title of Sergeant in 2014; and

WHEREAS, In November of 2015, Sergeant Danielle Jachlewski was elected as not only the first female, but also, the youngest Lieutenant in the station's storied history; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 22, Danielle Jachlewski officially began her tenure as Lieutenant on January 1, 2016; in this leadership position, she spends 40 to 50 hours a week at the station, ready to respond to

fires, accidents, storm damage, ambulance calls and other emergencies within her community; and

WHEREAS, A third generation Firefighter, Lieutenant Danielle Jachlewski is proud to serve alongside her father, and former Chief RJ Jachlewski, as well as the 45 dedicated and hardworking members of the Carman Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Incorporated in 1933, the once predominately male Carman Fire Department, has changed dynamically since Lieutenant Danielle Jachlewski joined the department; now, the brotherhood is also a sisterhood; 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; Lieutenant Danielle Jachlewski is such a firefighter; for over five years, this volunteer has 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 Danielle Jachlewski upon the occasion of being named the first female Lieutenant in the Carman Fire Department in the Town of Rotterdam, in Schenectady County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lieutenant Danielle Jachlewski.