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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad to be celebrated on April 2, 2016

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad and to honor its past and present firefighting members for 75 years of fire protection to the citizens of Islip, New York, and its surrounding communities; this momentous occasion will be celebrated on Saturday, April 2, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Established on April 1, 1941, the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad has been called upon increasingly since its inception; initially utilizing the Fire Patrol's truck for responding, today, this vital organization operates two ambulances and a first responder vehicle, handling on average 800 medical calls for service annually; and

WHEREAS, Fire departments are an integral part of community protection services in every locality of our State; during the past 75 years, the courageous and devoted firefighters of the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad have valiantly responded to all types of fire emergencies and have won the praise and respect of the community which they serve; and

WHEREAS, With a membership of dedicated firefighters, the record of the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad in public service and fire protection is one to be envied; for 24 hours a day, for 365 days a year, for 75 years, whenever the alarm sounded, these noble volunteers left their homes and went to the aid of their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, The brave firefighters of the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad are prepared to risk their lives every day to help save the lives of others and to protect homes and property from the destruction caused by fire; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the skill and devoted service demonstrated by individual firefighters, the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad reflects

the history and development of firefighting over the past 75 years; and
WHEREAS, This Legislative Body cannot express sufficient gratitude to those devoted individuals who recognize that the preservation of life and property is a sacred responsibility and who make that responsibility their own by serving as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that we should give special recognition to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and acknowledge publicly the heroic good works performed by the volunteer fire departments of this great Empire State, their officers and auxiliaries; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad to be celebrated on April 2, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Islip Fire Department Rescue Squad.