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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Ex-Chief/Ex-Commissioner Vincent Golembeski upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Firematic Lifetime Achievement Award by the Riverhead Fire Department on May 13, 2016

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 honor Ex-Chief/Ex-Commissioner Vincent Golembeski upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Firematic Lifetime Achievement Award by the Riverhead Fire Department, to be celebrated at its Annual Dinner on May 13, 2016, at East Wind Caterers, Wading River, New York; and

WHEREAS, Vincent Golembeski is receiving this auspicious award for his devotion to his profession and sincere dedication and substantial role as a community leader; he has continuously cast a positive impact on his community and displayed an unbridled enthusiasm in all his professional and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, On February 16, 1954, Vincent Golembeski joined the Riverhead Fire Department; throughout his illustrious career, he has held every leadership position the volunteer department has to offer; and

WHEREAS, Vincent Golembeski is most proud of the contribution he has made to the successful Fire Prevention Program, which he helped organize 30 years ago; and

WHEREAS, Volunteer firefighters and fire departments not only provide the critical service of fire protection but also engage in other activ-

ities 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; Vincent Golembeski is such a firefighter; throughout 62 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 honor Ex-Chief/Ex-Commissioner Vincent Golembeski upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Firematic Lifetime Achievement Award by the Riverhead Fire Department on May 13, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ex-Chief/Ex-Commissioner Vincent Golembeski.