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Senate Resolution No. 4348

BY: Senator YOUNG

CONGRATULATING Chautauqua County Sheriff's Senior Dispatcher Steven McAninch upon the occasion of being named Emergency Communicator of the Year by the New York State Sheriffs' Institute

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those individuals who have exhibited great dedication in protecting their neighbors from harm and other disasters in this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Chautauqua County Sheriff's Senior Dispatcher Steven McAninch upon the occasion of being named Emergency Communicator of the Year by the New York State Sheriffs' Institute; and

WHEREAS, Steven McAninch helped locate a woman and save her life on July 27, 2016, after she threatened to harm herself on social media; Steven received a call from Facebook's security team in Ireland that a Steamburg woman had threatened self-harm on social media; with the help of Verizon Wireless, he was able to relay the woman's location to the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Two hours after the initial call from Ireland, law enforcement located the woman, conscious; she was taken to UPMC Chautauqua WCA Hospital for treatment; and

WHEREAS, Steven McAninch's quick thinking saved her life and has further demonstrated his expertise in emergency communications for the

Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Steven McAninch was selected as the Emergency Communicator of the Year, not only for his efforts in this case, but also due to his 34-year outstanding career at the Sheriff's Office, 14 years of which he served as a Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Steven McAninch has been involved in many areas of the 911 Center, including the development and operation of the Agency's Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD), the oversight of response plans for fire and EMS, testing and implementation of the new county-wide public safety radio system and the upgrade of the 911 system; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient gratitude cannot be expressed to all those individuals devoted to public safety who generously give of their time and talents, working to keep their communities safe; and

WHEREAS, Observing that special recognition should be given to those who work so assiduously for the betterment of their communities, and they should be acknowledged publicly for the good works they do for their families and neighbors in this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Chautauqua County Sheriff's Senior Dispatcher Steven McAninch upon the occasion of being named Emergency Communicator of the Year by the New York State Sheriffs' Institute; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Senior Dispatcher Steven McAninch.