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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Ex-Captain Michael Rice upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department

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 Ex-Captain Michael Rice upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition after 25 years of dedicated service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department, Great Neck, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ex-Captain Michael Rice joined the Department in 1988 and has ably served it with distinction for 25 years; prior to becoming Company Captain, he was a 2nd Lieutenant and a 1st Lieutenant in the Department; and

WHEREAS, Ex-Captain Michael Rice will be honored at the Department's Annual Installation Dinner to be held at the Marriott Hotel in Uniondale on Saturday, April 20, 2013; 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; Ex-Captain Michael Rice is such a firefighter; throughout 25 years of devoted service, he 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 Ex-Captain Michael Rice for 25 years of distinguished service to the Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department and his community; and be it

further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ex-Captain Michael Rice.