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Resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the New York City Fire Department and its dedicated service in helping keep all New Yorkers safe.

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Whereas, In 1865 the modern-day New York City Fire Department (“FDNY”) was established to provide better protection to the fast growing metropolitan area, which presently is the largest municipal fire department in the United States; and

Whereas, Today, there are more than 16,000 men and women that serve in the FDNY, risking their lives daily to ensure the safety and well-being of the residents of New York City; and

Whereas, According to the Preliminary Fiscal 2015 Mayor's Management Report, our City's firefighters responded to more than 278,000 fires and non-fire related emergencies and over 1.3 million medical emergencies; and

Whereas, Due to their everlasting heroics in protecting the lives and property of our City, members of the FDNY are known as “New York City's Bravest”; and

Whereas, On a daily basis, the FDNY faces highly multifaceted firefighting challenges that include: (i) responding to structural fires in a range of different building types; (ii) responding to emergency situations on bridges and in tunnels, including New York City's vast subway system; (iii) responding to medical emergencies; and (iv) extinguishing brush fires; and

Whereas, New York City's Bravest assisted New Yorkers in times of great distress, such as 9/11 and Superstorm Sandy; and

Whereas, We also remember over 1,100 brave firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty over

the last century and a half; and

Whereas, These brave individuals should always be recognized for their endless devotion to keeping all New Yorkers and visitors to our great City safe; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York commemorates the 150th anniversary of the New York City Fire Department and its dedicated service in helping keep all New Yorkers safe.

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