

WHEREAS, Firefighters serve our communities by acting as first responders in a variety of emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, recruiting Volunteer Firefighters and maintaining active Fire Departments through Broome County is paramount to the safety of our residents; and

**WHEREAS**, over one million Firefighters working with approximately 30,000 Fire Departments across the nation risk their lives to protect its citizens every year, and approximately seventy-five percent of those Firefighters are Volunteers; and

WHEREAS, when these Volunteers are not working as firefighters, they are active in other professions within the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Broome County encourages all citizens to recognize and commend the tremendous services performed by the County's Volunteer Firefighters by honoring those who save lives and property every day for all residents of Broome County; and

**WHEREAS**, Broome County and its Fire Departments will not be the same without Volunteer Firefighters; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Broome County Executive Debra A. Preston and Legislature Chairman Jerry F. Marinich, on behalf of all the residents of Broome County, do hereby proclaim the 27th Day of April 2013 as

## Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment Day

In Witness Wherefore, I have hereunto set my hand and Signature on this day,

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Debra A. Preston

**Broome County Executive** 

Jerry F. Marinich

Broome County Legislature Chairman