



State of New York  
**Proclamation**

from  
Senator John Flanagan

In Recognition of

**JIM MAHONEY**

**WHEREAS;** Jim Mahoney is to be congratulated as he is honored as National Fireman of the Year, having earned the admiration, esteem and affection of his peers for his many contributions on behalf of his community and having distinguished himself through his notable achievements and civic endeavors, while recognizing his selfless and tireless contributions to Northport; and,

**WHEREAS;** Jim Mahoney is a lifelong resident of Crab Meadow Beach, attended St. Philip Neri School and subsequently travelled daily to New York City to attend Power Memorial High School and after graduation excelled at Iona College where he received his B.A., received his M.A. From SUNY Oneonta, enabling him to pursue his teaching career in the Syosset School District and later as a principal in the Middle Country School District until his retirement in 1988; and,

**WHEREAS;** Jim Mahoney has selflessly given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership to his community through a myriad of organizations, most notably through the Northport Fire Department as a three-time Captain of the rescue squad, longest active EMT in the Department, chairman of Fire Prevention Education program, baby sitter, Safe Kids coordinator, chairman of the 100th Anniversary Committee and current chairman of the upcoming 125th anniversary committee as well as being honored with Schaeffer Fireman of the Year in 1976, Northport Fireman of the Year in 1991 and 2002, New York State Volunteer of the Year in 2002, as well as National Fireman of the Year in 2003; and,

**WHEREAS;** Jim Mahoney has constantly worked for the betterment of the Northport community through his endeavors as Commander of the Northport American Legion, chairman of the Boys and Girls State Scholarship program, chairman of the finance committee, chairman of the spring golf outing, director of the Memorial Day parade, Pearl Harbor committee member, 9/11 memorial service chairman, Veterans' Day race director; and,

**WHEREAS;** Jim Mahoney extends himself beyond his beloved Fire Department and American Legion to direct the Cow Harbor Day Race for over twenty years, to work with Suffolk County Boy Scout Council and receiving their Man of the Year in 1995, being named Veteran of the Year by Senator John Flanagan in 2003, receiving the Paul Harris Fellowship Award in 1997, Man of the Year in the Times of Northport in 2003 and Knight of the Bald Table for the St. Baldrick's Foundation for seven years; and,

**WHEREAS;** Jim Mahoney is widely admired by all who know him for his strong support and commitment to the concept of family by selflessly devoting his love and energy to his wife of 53 years, Sophie, their four children Timothy, Kevin, Kathleen and Maureen as well as their four grandchildren Kelly, Kristen, Jake and Jeremy; Now, Therefore, Be it,

**PROCLAIMED,** That New York State commends and congratulates Jim Mahoney as an individual who is worthy of the esteem of his family, peers and the great State of New York as he is honored by the Northport/East Northport Kiwanis as a National Fireman of the Year on this Twenty-First Day of May in the Year Two Thousand and Twelve.



Senator John J. Flanagan