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Dedicated Babylon Fire Company Member Named Volunteer Firefighter/EMS Worker of the Year



Suffolk Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-North Babylon) presents a Proclamation to Aleksandra Klimas-Mikalauska, District 17 Volunteer Firefighter/EMS Worker of the Year for 2010

(NORTH BABYLON, NY... September 20, 2010) – In recognition of her extraordinary service and commitment to the community, and in conjunction with the Suffolk County Legislature's annual Volunteer Recognition Program, Suffolk Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-North Babylon) named North Babylon Fire Company member Aleksandra Klimas-Mikalauska the 17th Legislative District's 2010 Volunteer Firefighter/EMS Worker of the Year. Leg. D'Amaro presented Ms. Klimas-Mikalauska with a special Proclamation just prior to the Legislature's September 16th General Meeting, where her name was read and recorded in the permanent ledger.

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A firefighter and emergency medical services volunteer, Aleksandra Klimas-Mikalauskas has been with the North Babylon Fire Company since 2006. Her dedication and commitment were immediately evident when she was named the Probationary Firefighter of the Year. Ms. Klimas-Mikalauskas received her Emergency Medical Technician certification in 2006. In keeping with her commitment and dedication to the community, she earned her Emergency Medical Technician – Critical Care certification just two years later.

Ms. Klimas-Mikalauskas received the Department's prestigious Top Responder Award for responding to 685 alarms last year. One of those calls was to assist an elderly man who had gone into cardiac arrest. Ms. Klimas-Mikalauskas and her crew were able to revive the individual and get him breathing on his own en route to the hospital. Ms. Klimas-Mikalauskas and her fellow responders were honored with a Town of Babylon Firemen's Association Commendation for Life Saving Efforts in recognition of their heroic efforts.

Ms. Klimas-Mikalauskas goes out into the community to teach fire prevention classes to elementary school children as a member of the Department's Fire Prevention Committee. She is also a member-at-large on the Board of the Suffolk County Volunteer Firefighters Burn Center Fund.

"Ms. Klimas-Mikalauskas gives selflessly and tirelessly to the community and the residents of Suffolk," D'Amaro said. "She is a true neighborhood hero and an inspiration to her fellow department members, who call her 'superb.' I am proud to honor her."

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