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Fighting for First Responders!

Putting First Responders FIRST!

As a former EMT and police officer, Mike Montesano knows just how much heart, dedication, and risk goes into being a first responder. As representative for the 15th Assembly District, Mike has advocated for first responders to get the benefits and rights they deserve after risking their lives to protect their communities.

During the 2020 Legislative Session, Mike has supported legislation which would:

- **Provide death benefits** to the beneficiaries of qualifying volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers who have died in the line of duty (A.550)
- **Make a permanent law for disability determinations** in regard to disease or malfunction of the heart or coronary arteries for volunteer firefighters (A.563)
- **Establish the crime of reckless endangerment** in the first and second degree of a peace officer, firefighter, police officer, or emergency medical services professional (A.1797)
- **Create special plates for emergency medical technicians** (A.3151) and paramedics (A.3156), and eliminate the annual service charge for plates
- **Provide free access to New York State parks** to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers (A.7278)
- **Create the New York State Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary Fund** to support volunteer fire departments by providing them funds for equipment, recruitment, and retention programs (A.8486)

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