

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Alan Barrish upon the occasion of his retirement as the Director of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library of Monticello, New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities of New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of certain exemplary institutions and individuals whose purpose is dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor and commend Alan Barrish upon the occasion of his retirement as the Director of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library of Monticello, New York after 25 years of dedicated and distinguished service to the citizens and institutions of Monticello and surrounding Sullivan County communities; and

WHEREAS, Alan Barrish has served as the Library's Director since 1988; as Director, he has supervised the day to day operations of the library; he has been responsible for the supervision of the library's staff, the maintenance of the library's collection, liaison with the library's Board, and management of the library's budget; and

WHEREAS, Alan Barrish earned a Master of Library Science degree from the University of Kentucky, a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Sciences from the State University College at Oswego, and an associate degree in Data Processing from Lexington Technical Institute (now Bluegrass Community College); and

WHEREAS, Alan Barrish served on the faculty of the University of Kentucky, College of Library and Information Science as the Information Specialist for the Kentucky Department for Environmental Services from 1984 through 1986; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, Alan Barrish received the prestigious New York Library Dewey Fellowship from the New York Library Association and, among his many publications, he co-wrote the article "Strategic Planning and the Small Public Library: A Case Study" published in the September/October 1991 edition of PUBLIC LIBRARIES; and

WHEREAS, Alan Barrish has rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library and those it serves for 25 years; he has served with loyalty, honor and distinction and has justly earned the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues and community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Alan Barrish upon the occasion of his retirement as the Director of the Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library of Monticello, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alan Barrish.