LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of John Russell Palmiter, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, John Russell Palmiter of Vestal, New York, died on Thursday, March 28, 2013, at the age of 48; and

WHEREAS, Born on Christmas Eve, in 1964, John Russell Palmiter graduated from Owego Free Academy in 1984, and the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park, New York, in 1988; and

WHEREAS, John Russell Palmiter distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, He served as the Director of Operations for AFV at the Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena, and his gift of cooking was enjoyed by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, John Russell Palmiter's outstanding leadership in operating food and beverage services at the Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena and Forum Theater greatly benefited thousands of guests at those facilities, major tenants like the Broadway Theater League, Tri-Cities Opera and Binghamton Senators Hockey Club, and the entire Greater Binghamton community; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable man had a generous and loving spirit and his enthusiasm was contagious; he will be missed by many; and

WHEREAS, John Russell Palmiter is survived by his parents, Duane Sr. and Virginia Palmiter; his wife of 18 years, Carol (Maui) Palmiter; cherished son, Christian Palmiter; two brothers, Duane Jr. (Lisa) Palmiter and David (Deborah) Palmiter; seven nieces and nephews, AJ, Dylan, Jourden, Stephanie, Danielle, Matthew, and Andrew; and his Aunt Helen Cole; as well as two cousins, Russ and Chris Charlier and families; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, John Russell Palmiter leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of John Russell Palmiter, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of John Russell Palmiter.