

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of John M. Janos, distinguished Firefighter 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 M. Janos of Binghamton, New York, died on April 6, 2013, at the age of 57, while on duty with the Binghamton Fire Department; and

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

WHEREAS, A graduate of Binghamton Central High School, Class of 1973, and Broome Community College, John M. Janos was a Firefighter for the City of Binghamton Fire Department with 24 years of distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, He was a Paramedic and a Hazmat Specialist, and past President of the Binghamton Firefighters Union Local 729; in addition, he was one of the key people responsible for the creation of the Binghamton 9/11 Memorial, and a Board member of the Retired Professional Fire Fighters Cancer Fund, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, John M. Janos's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Involved in music from a young age, playing in bands with his childhood friends, John M. Janos enjoyed playing with many local musicians and worked recently at Mansion Recording Studio; he built the Mansion studio with close friends with the considerate and kindhearted goal to help talented young artists in the Binghamton community start their musical careers; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known as Bear to some, John M. Janos also enjoyed fishing and was a devoted, loving family man, who always watched out for everyone, from colleagues, to clients, to people he barely knew; and

WHEREAS, John M. Janos epitomized humble service in that he just quietly went about helping others, never seeking recognition, praise or thanks; he was a man who just did things because they were right and the satisfaction of helping others was all he needed; and

WHEREAS, Always generous with his attention and time, everyone around John M. Janos noticed his genuine spirit and kind nature, especially children, who called him "Mr. John"; he loved kids and nothing gave him greater happiness than bragging about his own; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his father, John Janos, John M. Janos is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Sharon Buyck Janos; his children, Michael and Kelly Janos, Lisa Janos, and Daniel Janos; his mother, Helen Kaschak; three sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary Kaschak, Helen and Sandy Burnaby, Patricia and Patrick O'Day; a brother, David Janos; and brother-in-law, Allen (Jody) Buyck; as well as nieces and nephews, Jessica O'Day and Ben Wolf, Nicholas and Amy, Kris Harris, Danielle Janos, Megan Buyck and Jimmie Buyck; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, John M. Janos 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 M. Janos, distinguished Firefighter and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to the family of John M. Janos.