LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring John P. Pryor posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Shenendehowa Central School District Hall of Distinguished Alumni

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging its esteemed residents who have distinguished themselves in their community; and

WHEREAS, The late John P. Pryor will be inducted into the Shenendehowa Central School District Hall of Distinguished Alumni as part of the first class of inductees during the Shenendehowa Educational Foundation's Green and White Gala to be held at the Hilton Garden Inn on June 8, 2013; and

WHEREAS, John graduated from Shenendehowa High School in 1984; and WHEREAS, He was a respected trauma surgeon at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, John volunteered his expert services at Ground Zero on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, He served his country with honor as a Major in the Army Reserve; and

WHEREAS, John had already completed his first tour in Iraq, treating injured troops, and was in the third week of his second tour when he was tragically killed during a rocket attack on December 25, 2008; and

WHEREAS, His success as a surgeon and his honorable service to his country will long inspire Shenendehowa students; and

WHEREAS, His induction into the Hall of Distinguished Alumni is a lasting and fitting tribute to his legacy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor John P. Pryor posthumously as he is inducted into the Shenendehowa Hall of Distinguished Alumni; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of the late John P. Pryor.