

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Steve Jaffee, distinguished citizen, community leader and loving husband

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, Steve Jaffee, Suffern, New York, passed on January 16, 2016, we celebrate his extraordinary life; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jaffee was born in Brooklyn, New York, and then moved to Suffern, NY, with his wife, Assemblymember Ellen Jaffee, to raise their two children Marc and Allison; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jaffee distinguished himself in his career and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; he knew how to greet people with a firm, friendly handshake, and follow through on every promise he made; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jaffee worked tirelessly to support organizations he was passionate about including being a longtime Democratic Committee member, a former chair of the Suffern Democratic Committee, a Little League coach, and various other organizations and clubs that supported his community; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jaffee was a passionate supporter of progressive causes and a welcomed presence and volunteer in the New York State Legislature alongside his wife, Assemblymember Ellen Jaffee; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jaffee was a man of honor without compromise; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jaffee was the kind of man who inspired many; his kindness, compassion, enthusiasm and love for his family are the qualities he will be remembered for; this dignified man lived a virtuous life and was a true man of his word; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his loving wife, Steve Jaffee is survived by his son, Marc (Julia); and his daughter, Allison (Steve); his three grandchildren, Miles, Jade, and Daniel; his sister Roberta; and his brother Jerry (Janet); as well as his brother-in-law Kenny (Maryelena); and

WHEREAS, Armed with a sense of compassion, Steve Jaffee leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Steve Jaffee, distinguished citizen, community leader and loving husband; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Steve Jaffee.