LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Thomas E. Workman upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Life Insurance Council of New York, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Thomas E. Workman upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Life Insurance Council of New York, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, A resident of New York City, Thomas E. Workman was born on April 3, 1944, in Galion, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, For the past 17 years, this esteemed man has rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Life Insurance Council of New York, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Since September of 1999, Thomas E. Workman has served as president and chief executive officer of the Life Insurance Council of New York, Inc. (LICONY), the trade association representing life insurance companies based or otherwise operating in New York State, as well as allied professional firms; and

WHEREAS, Prior to serving in this capacity, Thomas E. Workman developed and was chair of the Insurance Law Practice Group at Bricker & Eckler LLP, a Columbus, Ohio based law firm where he served as an associate from 1973 to 1977, and partner from 1977 to 1999; and

WHEREAS, Thomas E. Workman served as a captain in the United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1970 to 1973; and

WHEREAS, Thomas E. Workman received his bachelor of science degree in business administration and his juris doctor degree from The Ohio State University; he is admitted to the bars of the State of New York, the State of Ohio, the Supreme Court of the United States, the United States Court of Military Appeals, and the United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division; and

WHEREAS, Active within his profession, Thomas E. Workman recently served as the delegate representing the Association of Life Insurance Counsel in the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association, and he is a past member of the Board of the Association of Life Insurance Counsel; he is a past chair of the Life Insurance Law Committee of the American Bar Association, and a past chair of the board of directors of the Federation of Regulatory Counsel; and

WHEREAS, Thomas E. Workman is currently a member of the Insurance Law Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation, the New York State Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he serves as a trustee of The Griffith Foundation for Insurance Education, and on the board of directors of the Westfield Companies, a leading, regional family of property-casualty insurance companies headquartered in Westfield Center, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Thomas E. Workman has been the proud recipient of countless awards and accolades including the 2015 Corporate Social Responsibility Award for Distinguished Service in Promoting Community Investment and Corporate Volunteerism across New York State, the Buist M. Anderson Distinguished Service Award, the Life Insurance Lifetime Achievement Award, the Friend of Israel Award, Citizen of the Year and the Good Scout Award; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as president and chief executive officer, Thomas E. Workman served with loyalty, honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Pam, his two children, Thomas (Catherine) and Sarah (Mark), and five grandchildren, Massimo, Lilia Grace, Quintino, Vivia Rosina and Eleanor, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, In his official acts, Thomas E. Workman was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems, earning him the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Thomas E. Workman upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Life Insurance Council of New York, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Thomas E. Workman.