

Senate Resolution No. 5071

BY: Senator GRIFFO

MOURNING the death of Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr., family man, civic servant, and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to publicly mourn the death of those prominent citizens whose lifework and purposeful endeavors have served to enrich and enhance the quality and character of life for others in their community and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. of Lyons Falls, New York, died on January 1, 2018, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, Roscoe "Rocky" Kent Fawcett, Jr. was born on November 8, 1936, to the late Roscoe K. Fawcett, Sr. and Marie Ann Formanek in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, He was raised in Greenwich, Connecticut, where he was a student at Greenwich Country Day School; after graduating from Taft School in Watertown, Connecticut, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. attended Middlebury College, and earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, While a student at Penn State, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. was a member of several clubs including the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, Sphinx Senior Honor Society, and the Kite and Key Society; he also founded the college's ice hockey program of which he was Captain; and

WHEREAS, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. enjoyed a long and distinguished career in advertising, marketing and publishing in New York City, Williamstown, Massachusetts, and Los Angeles, California; throughout his tenure, he served in various capacities such as Director of Development and Alumni Relations for Miss Halls' School, Executive Vice President of the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America, Publisher of **American Fitness Magazine**, Fund Raising Consultant for Putnam Indian Field School, Board President of A World Fit for Kids, and Special Advisor on the Governors Council of Physical Fitness and Sports in California, as well as Reunion Chairman for Greenwich Country Day School and Taft School; and

WHEREAS, Upon his retirement, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. moved to Lyons Falls, New York, where he quickly became a vital and treasured member of his community; he was involved with the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce and the Lyons Falls History Association, and held the titles of both President and Vice President of Lyons Falls ALIVE, and Vestry for St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Constableville; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. served on the Boards of Constable Hill, Cornell Cooperative Extension Lowville, High Falls Senior Living, and Snowbelt Housing; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his daughter, Mary Sinclair Arguimbau, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons, Roscoe Kent (Sharon) Fawcett III and Gavin Scott (Colleen) Fawcett; one daughter, Dinah Fawcett Young; eight grandchildren, Andre, Terra, James (Sarah), Elizabeth, Gavin, Benjamin, Gunnar, and Banks; one great-grandchild, Lucas; and two brothers, Peter (Ann) Fawcett and Stephen Fawcett; as well as numerous friends and colleagues who will long cherish his memory; and

WHEREAS, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. will always be remembered for his charm and great wit; he greeted everyone with a warm smile and always had a great story to tell; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr. 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 Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr., family man, civic servant, 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 Roscoe K. Fawcett, Jr.