

Senate Resolution No. 1909

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING James Jones, P.E., CFM upon the occasion of his retirement after 30 years of distinguished service to the Town of Tonawanda on June 1, 2019

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor James Jones, P.E., CFM upon the occasion of his retirement after 30 years of distinguished service to the Town of Tonawanda on Saturday, June 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, James Jones began his career working as an associate engineer for C and S Engineers, and EMS Consulting, both located in Buffalo, New York; he is a member of several engineering and planning organizations, including the Institute of Transportation Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers, and American Public Works Association of North America and Congress for New Urbanism; and

WHEREAS, While employed with the Town of Tonawanda, James Jones held two positions for many years; he began working in 1989 as a Junior Engineer, a position he held until 2010, as well as a Network Administrator from 1999-2010; and

WHEREAS, In 2010, James Jones rose through the ranks and became the Town Engineer of Tonawanda, responsible for overseeing waterfront sustainability initiatives and daily public works duties, he also serves as the town's Geographic Information System (GIS) manager; and

WHEREAS, This impressive man has worked on many transportation, public works and planning projects; he has also served as Regional Director of the New York State Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association; and

WHEREAS, With an affinity for walkability and bicycling, James Jones often leads the conversation regarding appropriate services for all users of the public right-of-way; he was also instrumental in designing/implementing the bike path and is in the process of the conversion of street lights to LED; and

WHEREAS, In his official acts, James Jones was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure with the Town of Tonawanda, James Jones has earned the admiration, esteem, and affection of his colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor James Jones upon the occasion of his retirement after 30 years of distinguished service to the Town of Tonawanda, New York, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Jones, P.E., CFM.