

BY: Senator MAYER

HONORING Chief Richard F. Conway upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 30 years of distinguished service to the Port Chester Police Department

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Chief Richard F. Conway upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 30 years of distinguished service to the Port Chester Police Department; and

WHEREAS, A Rye, New York native, Richard F. Conway graduated from Rye High School in 1976; he went on to attend Manhattan College where he played football and earned a degree in Criminal Justice and History in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Upon completion of his studies, Richard F. Conway taught at a Catholic school in the South Bronx and was a wrestling coach at Manhattan College; and

WHEREAS, While originally aspiring to be a teacher, Richard F. Conway had a change of heart and began his illustrious career as a police officer with the Port Chester Police Department in 1986, working undercover with the Westchester County Narcotics Squad; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Richard F. Conway has continuously demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to both his country and his community; and

WHEREAS, Richard F. Conway proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy from 1993 to 2001; his courage, commitment and quiet leadership are common themes in his life; and

WHEREAS, In 1995, Richard F. Conway climbed the ranks to become a Sergeant, and in 1999, a Lieutenant; during this time, this outstanding man earned a Master's degree in Public Administration from Pace University, and later went on to become an adjunct professor at Mercy College; and

WHEREAS, Chief Richard F. Conway was appointed Chief of Police on July 1, 2015; in this capacity, he launched the Youth & Police Initiative, Coffee with a Cop, and supported the paid Summer Internship Program for Port Chester youth to increase engagement and camaraderie between the Port Chester Police Department and the community; and

WHEREAS, In his spare time, Chief Richard F. Conway loves fishing and upstate cross-country ski trips with friends; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Chief Richard F. Conway upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 30 years of distinguished service to the Port Chester Police Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Richard F. Conway.