

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Gerald P. Quinn,
distinguished citizen and devoted member of his
community

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, Gerald Paul Quinn of Hopewell Junction, New York, died on Thursday, February 20, 2020, at the age of 82; and

WHEREAS, Born on August 26, 1937, in Tarrytown, New York, to Arthur and Rita (Rigney) Quinn, Gerald P. Quinn was the second youngest of nine children; and

WHEREAS, As a young boy, Gerald P. Quinn lived in Ossining, New York, and was a graduate of Ossining High School; and

WHEREAS, On May 6, 1967, Gerald P. Quinn married the former Barbara Lilly, and the newlyweds resided in Croton-on-Hudson, New York, until 1993; they then moved first to Fork Union, Virginia, then Fort Myers Beach, Florida, before returning to Croton-on-Hudson, and finally settling in Hopewell Junction; and

WHEREAS, Gerald P. Quinn distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Gerald P. Quinn was employed as a Union Steamfitter, proudly working on projects such as the 1964 World's Fair; and

WHEREAS, In 1966, being a strong willed and hardworking man, he started his own business, Jerry Quinn (& Son) Painting Contractor; today, his son, Darrin, is the owner and operator but, up until 2019, Jerry was still "cutting in a cat's eyeball"; and

WHEREAS, Gerald P. Quinn's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Gerald P. Quinn was a Lifetime member and former Captain of the Croton-on-Hudson's Volunteer Fire Department, Columbian Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; and Past President of the Painting & Decorating Contractors of America; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his parents, Arthur and Rita; wife, Barbara; and three siblings, Joan LaLuna, Michael Quinn and Arthur Quinn, Gerald P. Quinn is survived by his five sisters, Patricia Vasta, Sylvia Olivo, Catherine Cornu, Mary Campbell, and Rita DeMaria; five children, Jerry

Riccio, Tara (Peter) Colavecchio, Shannon Quinn (John), Darrin (Shelley) Quinn, and Erin Quinn (Matt); 10 grandchildren, Melissa, Dylan, Ryan, Lucas, Savannah, Alex, Aydan, Patrick, Lilly, Ruby; and one great-granddaughter, Alice; as well as many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, As an avid boater, Gerald P. Quinn, who truly lived an extraordinary life, enjoyed navigating the open waters on his beloved boat(s) "Irish Mist"; he was always there with a helping hand for his family and friends, and will be remembered for his unrelenting strength, big appetite, and a friend to all; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Gerald P. Quinn 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 Gerald P. Quinn, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Gerald P. Quinn.