

Assembly Resolution No. 84

BY: M. of A. Santabarbara

MOURNING the death of Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr.,
renowned firefighter, distinguished citizen and
devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is with feelings of deepest regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr., an extraordinary man of indomitable faith and dedication whose purposeful life will long serve as a standard to which others might aspire; and

WHEREAS, Donald P. "Bubba" Schmidtman, Jr. of Tribes Hill, New York, died on Saturday, December 1, 2018, at the age of 64; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong area resident, Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr. was born on January 9, 1954, in Amsterdam, New York, to the late Donald P. Schmidtman Sr. and Jeanne M. Corsette Schmidtman; he was a graduate of the former Wilbur H. Lynch High School and was employed locally by Coleco Industries; and

WHEREAS, Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr. and the former Julie A. Bottisti were united in marriage on April 7, 1979, enjoying nearly 40 years as husband and wife; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his community, Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr. was a member of the Southern Adirondack Dog Club where he served on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary man was a member of the Tribes Hill Volunteer Fire Department for 37 years, during which time he valiantly served as Assistant Chief and President; and

WHEREAS, Well respected by those serving alongside him and by neighboring departments, Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr. will be remembered as a leader, a mentor and a hero; he truly exemplified the meaning of sacrifice, and his faithfulness and allegiance will never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by three brothers, Chris, David and Jeffrey; and a sister-in-law, Michele, Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr. is survived by his wife, Julie; a son, Gregory; three grandchildren, Amie, Aron and Skylar; three great-grandchildren, Lola, Patricia and Jack; four brothers, Michael (Maureen), Timothy (Maria), Thomas (Marcia) and William; one aunt, Debra; one uncle, David; sister-in-law, Marilyn (Michael); two brothers-in-law, Bill (Tammy) and Nick (Kelly); a special friend, Ralph; and his brothers and sisters in Fire Service; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Donald P. Schmidtman, 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 Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr., renowned firefighter, distinguished citizen 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 Donald P. Schmidtman, Jr.