

Assembly Resolution No. 966

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HONORING Captain Chuck Kelly upon the occasion of his retirement after 20 years of distinguished service to the Utica Police Department

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Captain Chuck Kelly upon the occasion of his retirement after 20 years of distinguished service to the Utica Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Chuck Kelly joined the Utica Police Department on October 18, 1999, following the footsteps of his father, Master Patrol Officer Charles "Chuck" Kelly Jr., who proudly served the Utica Police Department for 41 years; and

WHEREAS, Chuck Kelly has served as the Incident Command of the Boilermaker Road Race where he coordinated the security and traffic, a Uniform Patrol Division Commander, and as the Criminal Investigations Division Commander; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Chuck Kelly has proudly worked as a K-9 handler with his K-9 partner, Avax, and as a Police Academy Instructor; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, Chuck Kelly was promoted to the esteemed position of Captain; and

WHEREAS, Captain Chuck Kelly has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades including being named Supervisor of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to his community, Captain Chuck Kelly has volunteered much of his time and energies to benefit the athletes of Special Olympics New York; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, Captain Chuck Kelly was one of seven officers in the history of the Utica Police Department to graduate from the FBI National Academy; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Shannon, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 Captain Chuck Kelly upon the occasion of his retirement after 20 years of distinguished service to the Utica Police Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Captain Chuck Kelly.