

Assembly Resolution No. 38

BY: M. of A. Gunther

MOURNING the death of Sergeant Barry Weissman, committed law enforcement officer, family man and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to convey its grateful appreciation and heartfelt regret in recognition of the loss of a courageous and hardworking police officer who dedicated his purposeful life and career in faithful service to both his family and the residents of New York State; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sadness that this Legislative Body records the passing of Sergeant Barry Weissman, committed law enforcement officer, family man, and devoted member of his community, who died on Saturday, January 23, 2021, at the age of 70, due to complications related to the novel coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, Born on May 20, 1950, in the Bronx, New York, Barry Weissman was the beloved son of Sam and Katie (Leiter) Weissman; and

WHEREAS, Barry Weissman was a graduate of James Monroe High School's class of 1968; his love of the law and attention to detail made him well suited to a career in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, On March 2, 1974, Barry Weissman married the love of his life, Maria Morales; his marriage to Maria introduced him to the Latin culture; he learned to speak Spanish and enjoyed dancing the Maranga and other Latin style dances; and

WHEREAS, Barry Weissman began his career with the Town of Wallkill Police Department as a part-time police officer in February of 1982; eight years later, he was sworn in as both Code Enforcement Officer and Violations Clerk; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary officer continued to climb the ranks and worked in many capacities until he was proudly sworn to the esteemed rank of Sergeant on June 29, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Barry Weissman spent more than three decades with the Town of Wallkill Police Department, serving with dedication, loyalty, and compassion; he devoted his purposeful life and career to serve and protect; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious career, Sergeant Barry Weissman distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; he was truly committed to making his town a safe place for all; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his parents, Barry Weissman is survived by his loving wife Maria; his son, Jason (Rosalie); his daughter, Michele; his grandson, Isaiah; two cousins, Douglas and Audrey; and Maria's

siblings, as well as their nieces, nephews and numerous friends; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Sergeant Barry Weissman 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 Sergeant Barry Weissman, committed law enforcement officer, family man 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 Sergeant Barry Weissman.