

Senate Resolution No. 2076

**BY:** Senator HARCKHAM

**MOURNING** the death of James E. Seymour III, meritorious firefighter, devoted family man, and distinguished member of his community

**WHEREAS,** There are certain outstanding members of our community who, through their selfless commitment and dedication, have served to better the quality of life in our community and have had a measurable positive impact on the lives of its residents; James E. Seymour III, was one such individual; and

**WHEREAS,** It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of James E. Seymour III, noting the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

**WHEREAS,** James E. Seymour III, of Cortlandt, New York, died on June 7, 2023, at the age of 67; and

**WHEREAS,** James E. Seymour III, was born on February 6, 1956, to James E. Seymour Jr. and Donna (Keesler) Seymour in Peekskill, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** A 1975 graduate of Peekskill High School, James E. Seymour III, began his professional career with IBM in East Fishkill, before transitioning to a career in emergency management in 1995 with the City of Peekskill and the private sector; and

**WHEREAS,** Only behind the love for his family, was his love of public service; James E. Seymour III, dedicated his life to fire service; he was a 49-year member of Washington Engine Company No. 2 in the Peekskill Fire Department, serving as chief of the department from 2001 to 2003; and

**WHEREAS,** After moving to Cortlandt from Peekskill in 2004, James E. Seymour III, served as a commissioner of the Lake Mohegan Fire District from 2008 to 2017, all the while remaining an active participant in both the Lake Mohegan and Peekskill Fire Departments; and

**WHEREAS,** James E. Seymour III, enjoyed annual hunting trips with family members, as well as spending time with his grandchildren, whom he loved more than life itself; and

**WHEREAS,** Predeceased by his father, James E. Seymour III, is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Sharon (Matero); their four children, Jimmy IV (Jean), Joey, Melissa, and Cheryl (Phil) Guglielmini; and four grandchildren, Vanessa, Samantha, Isabella, and Domenick; as well as his mother, Donna; siblings, Billy, Donna, Julie, and Danny, and many nieces and nephews; and

**WHEREAS,** James E. Seymour's infinite selflessness and benevolence will shine on through his family's vivid and happy memories; his insight

and strength will forever serve as a beacon of love, light and hope to the countless lives he touched; and

**WHEREAS**, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, James E. Seymour III, leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all who were privileged to have known and loved such an amazing man; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of James E. Seymour III, 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 James E. Seymour III.