Senate Resolution No. 2260

BY: Senator STEC

MOURNING the death of Dennis L. Dickinson, distinguished citizen, public servant, 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, Dennis L. Dickinson of Lake George, New York, died on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at the age of 77; and

WHEREAS, Dennis L. Dickinson distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Born August 7, 1946, in Saratoga, he was the son of the late Harold 'Dick' and Lois (Mundell) Dickinson and was proud to grow up on Sewell Street in Lake George; he married his high school sweetheart Andrea Grant in 1969, and the two were together ever since; and

WHEREAS, Dennis L. Dickinson received his Bachelor of Forestry Engineering degree from New York State College of Forestry and Environmental Sciences from Syracuse University, earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Syracuse University and then earned his Master's in Environmental Sciences degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; he went on to become a Licensed Land Surveyor both in New York State and Vermont, as well as a Licensed Engineer in New York State; and

WHEREAS, For the last 45 years, Dennis L. Dickinson was the owner of D.L. Dickinson Associates Land Surveyors and Professional Engineers and employed many local people over the years, having a positive and lasting impact on their lives and careers; and

WHEREAS, Dennis L. Dickinson had a deep connection to his community as a dedicated public servant, serving as Supervisor to the Town of Lake George from 1980 to 1984, and again from 2012 until his passing; he also pridefully served on the Warren County Board of Supervisors and the Board of the Lake George Arts Project; and

WHEREAS, Having many interests and hobbies, Dennis L. Dickinson deeply enjoyed the outdoors, specifically, the Adirondack Mountains; he also loved skiing, fearlessly hitting jumps alongside his sons, showcasing his youthful spirit in all endeavors throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Dennis L. Dickinson was never afraid to try new things and never let any inhibitions limit him, whether it was learning Tai Kwon Do with his older son, eventually earning his brown-black belt, or building his family's homes, building a successful business, or outfitting a 1965 Chevy Van and driving across country with his wife Andrea; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Dennis L. Dickinson has built almost every home he and his family have lived in over his years, demonstrating unrelenting determination and competency in these extensive undertakings; and

WHEREAS, Always making sure to have fun during his life, Dennis L. Dickinson enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, playing guitar and harmonica, and enjoying his favorite indulgence, chocolate; and

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

WHEREAS, Dennis L. Dickinson is survived by his wife, Andrea; his sons: Garth (Jenn) and Devin (Amanda) Dickinson; his grandchildren: Alex, Hannah, Gavin, and William; his sister, Audrey Clark; his brother, Larry (Marianne); his sisters-in-law: Joan Lange and Barbara (David) Krogmann; along with several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Dennis L. Dickinson was predeceased by his sisters: Linda Dickinson and Sandra Combs; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Bob and Fran Grant; and his brothers-in-law: Glenn Combs, Matt Clark, David Grant, and Mark Lange; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Dennis L. Dickinson 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 Dennis L. Dickinson, distinguished citizen, public servant, 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 Dennis L. Dickinson.