

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING Herman Lehman upon the occasion of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to Hamilton College

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Herman Lehman upon the occasion of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to Hamilton College; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Clinton, New York, Herman Lehman began his illustrious career with Hamilton College in 1996; and

WHEREAS, As a Professor of Biology, Herman Lehman's research is focused on the development and function of neurotransmitters; neurotransmitters are molecules released by neurons and mediate communication throughout the nervous system; thus, the proper expression and maintenance of neurotransmitter levels is a critical, yet largely unknown, aspect of the metabolism of the neuron; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Herman Lehman has taught several courses, including Fundamentals and Frontiers, General Biology: Cells to Ecosystems, Introduction to Public Health, and Cellular Neurobiology; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, active within Hamilton College, this esteemed professor has given tirelessly of his time and energies as: Neuroscience Program chair; Biology Department chair (2006-2012); Levitt Center, Director of Public Health and Well-Being Program; Neuroscience Program Committee, past chair and member; Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program Committee, member; Higher Educational Opportunity Program Committee, member; Education Studies Program Committee, member; Senior Fellowship Director; Exploration Adventure leader; Global Health faculty advisor; Academic liaison to Men's Baseball; Academic liaison to Men's Hockey; and Biology Department chair (2006-2012); and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his profession, Herman Lehman is a member of the Society for Neuroscience, Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology (SICB), the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), and Faculty for Undergraduate Neuroscience (FUN); and

WHEREAS, Additionally, Herman Lehman has been applying his professional academic interest in public health to the greater good as a volunteer COVID-19 contact tracer for Oneida County; and

WHEREAS, A caring, competent, and committed leader, Herman Lehman's

character and integrity are the hallmarks of his life and work as an educational leader, a community volunteer and as a person; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Clinton, New York, are indeed fortunate and blessed to have had such a dedicated and respected educational leader; his wisdom and contributions to Hamilton College have truly made a difference in the lives of those fortunate enough to have worked with him; and

WHEREAS, A significant contributor to education in the State of New York, Herman Lehman has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered for the benefit of its faculty and students, as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, In completing his service, Herman Lehman leaves behind more than mere bricks and mortar; he leaves behind a legacy to the students of Hamilton College and to the residents of Central New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Herman Lehman upon the occasion of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to Hamilton College, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Herman Lehman.