

BY: Senator GRIFFO

HONORING Sergeant Karen Zaleski upon the occasion of her retirement from the Cazenovia Police Department after more than 20 years of dedicated service

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 Sergeant Karen Zaleski upon the occasion of her retirement from the Cazenovia Police Department after more than 20 years of distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, Beginning her career in law enforcement in June 2001, Karen Zaleski was hired as a corrections officer for the Madison County Sheriff's Office; after graduating from the Little Falls Police Academy in 2002, she joined the Cazenovia Police Department in March of that year; and

WHEREAS, Karen Zaleski was brought on full-time by the Cazenovia Police Department in March, 2003, and deservedly rose to the rank of Sergeant in September, 2007; and

WHEREAS, A small sample of Sergeant Karen Zaleski's responsibilities included supervising the patrol officers' day-to-day duties, completing the department's policy and procedure, conducting trainings, and ensuring that the department is following E-Justice guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Making a difference in the lives of residents in the Cazenovia community, Sergeant Karen Zaleski has met citizens in their worst moments and provided guidance and assistance to them, proving to have been a compassionate and understanding police officer that performed her duties with excellence; and

WHEREAS, Serving as an example to her peers, Sergeant Karen Zaleski is an individual who has gone above and beyond to serve the Village of Cazenovia; she has worked with many law enforcement recruits and candidates, training and certifying them to become positive influences in their communities; 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 Sergeant Karen Zaleski upon the occasion of her retirement from the Cazenovia Police Department after more than 20 years of dedicated service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sergeant Karen Zaleski.