

BY: Senator HELMING

CELEBRATING the life and legacy of Matthew Hoose, Ontario County Clerk, 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; Matthew Hoose was one such individual; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Matthew Hoose, noting the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Matthew James Hoose, of Ontario County, New York, died on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at the age of 54; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Hoose was born on August 26, 1968 in Canandaigua, New York, to Pamela and Norman "Skip" Hoose; as a young boy, he enjoyed hunting with his grandfather, working at the family bakery, and playing sports such as baseball and bowling; and

WHEREAS, From there, Matthew Hoose forwarded his passions by managing bowling alleys across the eastern United States before moving his young family back to his beloved hometown of Canandaigua; and

WHEREAS, Following in his grandfather's footsteps, Matthew Hoose went on to become the Ontario County Clerk in 2012, a position to which he aspired for most of his life; he was also an active member of the New York State Association of County Clerks; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his civic duties, Matthew Hoose maintained his dedication to being a supportive and encouraging figure in his children's lives; he involved himself with anything from coaching T-ball to building sets for school musicals to being his family's eager chauffeur through all of their adventures; and

WHEREAS, In his free time, Matthew Hoose shared his love for cooking by sneaking tastes of his homemade pasta sauce and hosting the family barbecue while he grilled or smoked meat that even his vegetarian daughter could be proud of; he also enjoyed the outdoors, whether on the golf course with his friends and family, on the lake fishing and boating, or appreciating the Maine coastline with his cherished wife, Amy; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Hoose was a passionate man, happiest when surrounded by those he loved; he will remain in the hearts of those who continue to love and remember him; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his parents, Matthew Hoose is survived by

his loving wife, Amy; his children, Ryan (Aundrea), Taylor, Carson, and Joy; and his stepchildren, Dylan, Ava and Fay; he was predeceased by his sister, Mandy; and grandparents, Renato "Ray" and Betty; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Hoose'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, Matthew Hoose 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 celebrate the life and legacy of Matthew Hoose, 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 Matthew Hoose.