

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of George Graniero, meritorious veteran and firefighter, distinguished citizen, and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to publicly mourn the death of those prominent citizens whose lifework and purposeful endeavors have served to enrich and enhance the quality and character of life for others in their community and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, It is with feelings of deepest regret that this Legislative Body recognizes the passing of George Graniero, a preeminent citizen whose distinguished public service and caring commitment will long serve as a standard to which others might aspire; and

WHEREAS, George Graniero of Bedford Hills, New York, died on February 19, 2023, at the age of 94; and

WHEREAS, Born a first generation American on March 14, 1928 to Michael and Assunta Graniero, George Graniero was a lifelong resident of Bedford Hills, New York until moving to Syracuse last year; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Bedford Hills High School, George Graniero served his country in the Army Medical Corps as a medic during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Further serving the community, George Graniero volunteered with the Bedford Hills Fire Department as a teenager; he was a firefighter for a remarkable 76 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his career in service, George Graniero spent many years working as a barber at his shop, in Mount Kisco, New York; and

WHEREAS, George Graniero, and his wife Della Crandall, who tragically passed in 2014, led full lives; they often attended concerts at Caramoor and Tanglewood, planned ski trips in the East and out West, hiked many of the National Parks, travelled to Italy, and spent many peaceful moments at their vacation home on Cape Cod; and

WHEREAS, George Graniero is survived by his three sons: Michael, George Jr., and Douglas; three grandsons: Marc, Jeffrey, and Samuel; two great-grandchildren: Audrey and Marc Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Forever lasting are the memories of George Graniero, his family remembers attending many baseball and football games; he was an avid New York Yankees and Giants fan and passed the love of the team down through the generations; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, George Graniero 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 George Graniero, meritorious veteran and firefighter, distinguished citizen, 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 George Graniero.