

Senate Resolution No. 934

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Charles Sally, United States Army veteran, distinguished firefighter, and devoted 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; Charles Sally was one such individual; and

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

WHEREAS, Charles Joseph Sally of Peekskill, New York, died on Monday, April 24, 2023; and

WHEREAS, The son of Irish immigrants John and Margaret (O'Neill) Sally, Charles Sally, affectionately known as Charlie, was born and raised in the Bronx, New York, alongside his siblings, John "Jackie", Lucille, Ann and Mary; and

WHEREAS, Charles Sally proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army's 45th Infantry Division during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his military service, Charles Sally joined the New York Police Department before joining the New York Fire Department, retiring in 1979 after an illustrious 24-year career with Ladder Company No. 19; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his community, Charles Sally was also a Life member of the Peekskill Elks Club; and

WHEREAS, Charles Sally and the former Mary Morris were united in marriage in 1966 at Assumption Church in Peekskill, New York; the couple enjoyed a long and loving marriage until Mary's passing in 2000; and

WHEREAS, A man of indomitable faith and dedication, Charles Sally was a devoted Catholic; he had the gift of gab and loved to spend time with his friends and family, especially his lifelong childhood friend, the late Fred "Freddy" Beuchert; furthermore, he lived in the home he and his beloved wife shared in Peekskill until his passing; and

WHEREAS, Charles Sally is survived by his godson, Frank Quaranta; and goddaughter, Lisa Cutts; as well as his nieces and nephews, Lisa Greene, James Quaranta, Bob Morris, Diane Mohr, and Karen Cortese; and

WHEREAS, Charles Sally'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, Charles Sally 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 mourn the death Charles Sally, 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 Charles Sally.