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MOURNING the untimely death and paying tribute to the life and heroic service of Lieutenant Michael "Hootch" Hoosock who died in the line of duty on April 14, 2024

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to convey its grateful appreciation and heartfelt regret in recognition of the loss of a courageous and decorated Onondaga County Sheriff's Lieutenant who dedicated his purposeful life and career in faithful service to his family and to the residents of Onondaga County, New York, and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sadness that this Legislative Body records the tragic and untimely death of Lieutenant Michael Hoosock, who made the ultimate sacrifice while faithfully executing his responsibilities to serve and protect his community on Sunday, April 14, 2024; he was thirty-seven; and

WHEREAS, A sixteen year veteran of the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock exemplified what it truly means to give of himself in providing vital law enforcement services in keeping with the noble mission of the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office; he was honored as Deputy of the Year by the New York State Sheriff's Association; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock joined the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office in September of 2007 as a Deputy; he was promoted to Lieutenant in 2023, and was the Bomb Squad Commander for the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock served the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office with dedication, loyalty, and compassion, earning the admiration, affection, and esteem of his brothers and sisters in blue; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his community, and in addition to his illustrious career in law enforcement, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock was also a volunteer member with the Lyncourt Fire Department from 2005 to 2007, and with the Moyers Corners Fire Department since 2007, rising rapidly to become Second Deputy Chief in 2018; he was also a Firefighter/Paramedic with the Manlius Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, A devoted father, husband, and sheriff, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock loved spending time with his family; he is survived by his wife, Caitlin, and their three young children, as well as numerous other relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock's infinite selflessness and benevolence will shine on through his family's vivid and happy memories;

his life of service 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, Lieutenant Michael Hoosock 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 untimely death of Lieutenant Michael Hoosock, 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 Lieutenant Michael Hoosock.