

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Maurice M. Chalk Jr.,
distinguished citizen and devoted family man

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; Maurice M. Chalk Jr. was one such individual; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Maurice M. Chalk Jr., who died on April 4, 2025, at the age of 82, surrounded by his loving family; and

WHEREAS, Born on November 1, 1942, in Alpena, Michigan, Maurice "Mel" M. Chalk Jr. was the beloved son of Maurice Sr. and Catherine Chalk; and

WHEREAS, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. was a proud graduate of Hendrick Hudson High School, Class of 1960, and went on to earn a Master's degree in Finance from Rutgers University in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Before embarking on a distinguished 35-year career in the banking industry, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. was an entrepreneur and proprietor of The Snack Shack on Albany Post Road, a local establishment fondly remembered by many; and

WHEREAS, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. began his illustrious banking career as a teller at The County Trust Company, a community institution that valued his dedication and leadership; he retired as Regional Vice President at the Bank of New York, a testament to his professional excellence and work ethic; and

WHEREAS, Deeply civic-minded, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. gave generously of his time and talents to numerous local, county, and state organizations; his community involvement included serving as a former member of The Peekskill Community Ambulance Corps, Co-Chairman of St. Patrick's Church Parish Council, Chairman of its Finance Committee, and Treasurer of the Verplanck Fire District; and

WHEREAS, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. also served on the Westchester County Youth Board, the Salvation Army Advisory Board, and as Vice President and Board Member of the American Association for the Improvement of Boxing, among other endeavors; and

WHEREAS, A man of strong faith and deep conviction, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. believed in service to others; he was also an avid fan of the New York Yankees and a passionate follower of boxing; and

WHEREAS, Above all, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend; he is survived by his loving

wife of 60 years, Angela Avati Chalk; two children, Patrick (Ann Marie) and Michael; his brother, John; sister-in-law, Marie Ray; five cherished grandchildren, Briana, Ryan, Michael, Nicholas, and Justin; and his nieces and nephews, Melissa, Emily, Allison, and Brian; he was predeceased by his parents, Maurice Sr. and Catherine Chalk; his stepmother, Katherine Chalk; his brothers-in-law, Raymond Ray and John Avati; and his sister-in-law, Jerri Chalk; and

WHEREAS, Maurice M. Chalk'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, Maurice M. Chalk Jr. 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 of Maurice M. Chalk Jr., 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 Maurice M. Chalk Jr.