

**BY:** M. of A. Levenberg

**MOURNING** the death of Christopher Johanson, dedicated firefighter and cherished member of his community

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Christopher Johanson of Nelsonville, New York, died on Thursday, December 26, 2025, at the age of 56; and

**WHEREAS,** Christopher Johanson distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

**WHEREAS,** Having lived a life dedicated to service, Christopher Johanson achieved the rank of Eagle Scout and served as a volunteer firefighter with the Valhalla Fire Department; he later joined the Lake Mohegan Fire Department in August of 2000, where he amassed an impressive 24 years of fire service; he was also a proud EMT and first responder and was known for his commitment to his community; and

**WHEREAS,** Before a career in fire service, Christopher Johanson worked as a heavy equipment operator for the Mount Pleasant Highway Department; with many exceptional skills, he was also regarded as a talented carpenter and mechanic; and

**WHEREAS,** Outside of his professional life, Christopher Johanson enjoyed boating on the Hudson River and on Lake George; he enjoyed many adventures in his RV and created countless cherished memories with his family at the Jersey Shore; and

**WHEREAS,** Christopher Johanson's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

**WHEREAS,** Christopher Johanson is survived by his wife of 24 years, Christine; son, Riley; daughters, Amanda and Elaina; siblings, Sonja and Arvid; and parents, Arvid and Paula; and

**WHEREAS,** Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Christopher Johanson 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 Christopher Johanson, dedicated firefighter, and cherished member of his community; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Christopher Johanson.