

BY: Senator AMEDORE

COMMENDING Russell H. Reimer upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 32 years of distinguished service to the New York State Legislative Bill Drafting Commission

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize outstanding individuals whose professional lives are both an example and an inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Russell H. Reimer upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 32 years of distinguished service to the New York State Legislative Bill Drafting Commission; he will officially retire on Wednesday, February 28, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Russell H. Reimer is a 1985 cum laude graduate of the E.I. White College of Law at Syracuse University; he began his illustrious career with the Commission on September 26, 1985, as a Legal Assistant; and

WHEREAS, Through many years of hard work and commitment, Russell H. Reimer received several promotions during the next three decades; he held the positions of Assistant Counsel, Associate Counsel, Senior Counsel, and since October 26, 2000, Special Counsel; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure and in his capacity as Special Counsel, Russell H. Reimer not only brought his expertise and consistency to each and every task he performed, he also conveyed professionalism, enthusiasm and a solid work ethic; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his daily responsibilities, Russell H. Reimer always found time to advise and answer questions; his open-door policy was well-known not only in Bill Drafting but throughout the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Russell H. Reimer joined the United States Navy Reserve in 1983 as an Ensign; he served in the Intelligence community at Naval Reserve Units in Poughkeepsie, New York; Albany, New York; and South Weymouth, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Russell H. Reimer left the United States Navy Reserve after 10 years of valuable service, reaching the esteemed rank of Lieutenant Commander; and

WHEREAS, After more than 32 years of a job well done, Russell H. Reimer, a resident of Voorhesville, New York, can now enjoy his much deserved retirement with his wife, Natalie, and their daughter, Nicole, both of whom have shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, In acknowledgment of his exceptional service, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to extend its highest commendation to Russell H. Reimer, and to applaud him for his devotion, loyalty and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, It is the further sense of this Legislative Body that those who have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Russell H. Reimer upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 32 years of distinguished service to the New York State Legislative Bill Drafting Commission, and to wish him a healthy and happy future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Russell H. Reimer.