

BY: Senator RANZENHOFER

COMMENDING Donald Hobart upon the occasion of his retirement after 21 years of dedicated service to the Le Roy Central School Board of Education on June 12, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor the life and accomplishments of individuals whose enduring commitment and dedication significantly enhance the quality of education in their community; and

WHEREAS, The American public school system is a treasured institution; those individuals, such as Donald Hobart, who work to improve our schools and ensure that all children have access to quality educational programs merit the highest commendation of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Donald Hobart upon the occasion of his retirement after 21 years of dedicated service to the Le Roy Central School Board of Education to be celebrated at a Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, For over two decades, Donald Hobart has been a vital member of the Le Roy Central School Board of Education, 15 of which, he served as President; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Donald Hobart has chaired all of the Board's committees, including budget and finance, audit, policy, negotiations and instruction; and

WHEREAS, Donald Hobart also worked with lawmakers and his fellow board members on various issues such as mandate relief, reforming the 3020-a teacher disciplinary process, expanding the role of BOCES, and both property tax and pension reform; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work with Le Roy Central School, Donald Hobart held the title of President of the Genesee Valley School Boards Association, and worked for Kodak, the position from which he retired; and

WHEREAS, For his steadfast and unrelenting commitment to the Le Roy Central School community, Donald Hobart was named the NYSSBA Advocate of the Year in 2010; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Dixie, their three children, nine grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren, all of whom have shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable man truly believes in the children of the

Le Roy Central School District, demonstrating an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unrelenting enthusiasm to continually improving the quality of educational programs and opportunities offered to its faculty and students as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Donald Hobart diligently worked to improve the district, making it a place where students could thrive and flourish, and providing them the tools and skills to become successful citizens; and

WHEREAS, Donald Hobart has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of the Le Roy Central School District, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Donald Hobart upon the occasion of his retirement after 21 years of dedicated service to the Le Roy Central School Board of Education on June 12, 2018, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donald Hobart.