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MOURNING the death of Marcy M. Dandes, real estate agent, patron of the arts, and devoted member of her 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, Marcy M. Dandes of East Amherst, New York, died on Thursday, March 8, 2018, at the age of 66; and

WHEREAS, The former Marcy M. Marong was born on June 7, 1951, in Lockport, New York; after graduating from Bishop Neumann High School in 1969, she earned her bachelor's degree from Canisius College; and

WHEREAS, For more than 20 years, Marcy M. Dandes enjoyed a successful career in real estate; known for her warm and giving personality, she was consistently ranked one of the top producers of Hunt Real Estate; and

WHEREAS, Marcy M. Dandes' commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to both her children and her community, Marcy M. Dandes held the title of President of the Nichols School Parents' Council, and served as Chair of the Parent Division for the Annual Fund campaign; she was also a vital member of numerous committees which benefitted numerous people; and

WHEREAS, Marcy M. Dandes and her husband founded Nichols School's Big Green Athletic Dinner, and chaired the school's Derby Day Auction; and

WHEREAS, After her daughter became involved in the local theater group, Marcy M. Dandes devoted her time and energy to supporting her and the arts as longtime member of the Board of Directors of O'Connell & Company; in 2017, Marcy and her husband served as honorary co-Chairs of Curtain Up!, and for many years, the couple were co-Chairs of the ECMC Springfest Gala; and

WHEREAS, For her steadfast and unremitting commitment to her community, Marcy M. Dandes was the recipient of the 2005 Mitchell Award; and

WHEREAS, When she was not working or helping someone, Marcy M. Dandes enjoyed rooting for the Buffalo Bisons Baseball Team, and liked to spend time outdoors tending to her beautiful gardens; above all, she enjoyed spending time with her beloved family; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by her stepfather, Jack Williams, and brother, James T. Marong, Marcy M. Dandes is survived by her husband of 35 years,

Jonathan Dandes; one daughter, Arin Lee (Adam Yellen) Dandes; one son, Leo (Lissette) Dandes; one grandson, Luca Jonathan Dandes; her mother, Naidine C. Williams; and two brothers, Michael (Marilynn) Marong and Timothy (Sandra) Marong; and many nieces, nephews, and dear friend Lynn Slisz, all of whom will cherish her memory; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Marcy M. Dandes leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Marcy M. Dandes, real estate agent, patron of the arts, and devoted member of her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Marcy M. Dandes.