BY: Senator AKSHAR

**HONORING** Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson upon the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Tioga County Sheriff's Office

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson upon the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Tioga County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Michael A. Jackson began his illustrious career with the Tioga County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy Sheriff on January 1, 1982; he was promoted to Technical Sergeant on December 30, 1989, before being appointed as Undersheriff on January 1, 2004, the esteemed position from which he will officially retire on Saturday, May 25, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, which traversed nearly four decades, Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson was instrumental in the financial aspects of the Sheriff's Office and his countless contributions to its daily operation with be sorely missed; and

WHEREAS, For the past 37 years, Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Tioga County Sheriff's Office, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as Undersheriff, Michael A. Jackson served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson over a lifetime of public service, sacrifice and dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson upon the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Tioga County Sheriff's Office; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Undersheriff Michael A. Jackson.