

Senate Resolution No. 2575

BY: Senator RITCHIE

CONGRATULATING Alan Walts upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of distinguished service to the field of broadcasting

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, that the quality and character of life in this great Empire State is indelibly enriched by the faithful and untiring efforts of those individuals who have helped shape the history of broadcasting; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Alan Walts upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of distinguished service to the field of broadcasting; and

WHEREAS, Alan Walts began his illustrious broadcasting career in Watertown, New York, covering and informing residents of the important news stories in the City and beyond; he went on to work in Florida, before returning to the North Country where he spent the final 10 years of his career as the host of Watertown's Morning News on 790 WTNY radio; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his community, Alan Walts tirelessly volunteered his time and energies to countless community organizations, including the Salvation Army, selling newspapers for the **Watertown Daily Times** during its Annual Old News Boys Days event; and

WHEREAS, In a career which traversed 44 years, Alan Walts has truly made a significant impact on the people of his community and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by his many fans and his colleagues, Alan Walts will be remembered for his honesty, integrity, keen sense of duty and ability to show 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 Alan Walts over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, Alan Walts has, throughout his career and purposeful life, served his community with integrity and devotion, continuously striving to meet the needs of his listeners through entertainment and enlightenment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Alan Walts upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of distinguished service to the field of broadcasting, 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 Alan Walts.