

**BY:** Senator HARCKHAM

**MOURNING** the death of John Louis Oles, longtime Metro-North Railroad employee, distinguished citizen and dedicated member of his community

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is moved to mourn the death of John Louis Oles, who died on Monday, April 13, 2020, at the age of 57; and

**WHEREAS,** Born on August 29, 1962, John Louis Oles was employed with the Metro-North Railroad as a machinist based in Northern Westchester out of the Harmon Support Shop in Croton-Harmon; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout his 28-year career, John Louis Oles truly distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

**WHEREAS,** As a lifetime member and Captain of the Columbia Power Ladder No. 44 in Croton-On-Hudson, New York, John Louis Oles heroically performed, above and beyond the call of duty, those responsibilities which define the task of fire protection; and

**WHEREAS,** John Louis Oles will always be remembered as a generous, kind, loyal, funny and thoughtful man who was always ready and willing to help anyone; and

**WHEREAS,** Devoted to his cherished family, John Louis Oles is survived by his wife, Kathy, and their two daughters, Kristen and Kimberly; and

**WHEREAS,** Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, John Louis Oles leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of John Louis Oles, longtime Metro-North Railroad employee, distinguished citizen and dedicated member of his community; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of John Louis Oles.