

BY: Senator LITTLE

MOURNING the death of The Honorable Dominick Viscardi, dedicated public servant and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to mourn publicly the death of prominent citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the reputation of the State; and

WHEREAS, It is with feelings of deepest regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of The Honorable Dominick Viscardi, noting the significance of the loss of a man whose altruistic spirit will be greatly missed; and

WHEREAS, Judge Dominick Viscardi of Ticonderoga, New York, died peacefully on Monday, June 15, 2020, at the age of 96; and

WHEREAS, Dominick Viscardi was born on March 23, 1924, to Joseph and Epiphania Viscardi in New York City; he went on to marry the love of his life, Rose Marie, and together they raised a beautiful family; and

WHEREAS, In 1946, Dominick Viscardi graduated from Lafayette College where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree; he furthered his education by attaining his Juris Doctorate degree in 1948, at Cornell Law School; he was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Following his discharge from the United States Army where he admirably served on the Signal Corps legal staff, Dominick Viscardi began his legal career in Ticonderoga, New York; he went on to conduct an active trial practice for 28 years before being elected to the Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Judge Dominick Viscardi was first elected to the Supreme Court in 1978, and was re-elected in 1992, serving until 2000; during his tenure as a Supreme Court Justice, he served in each of the counties of the 4th Judicial District as well as 28 terms in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Over a long and preeminent career, Judge Dominick Viscardi distinguished himself and his profession, serving tirelessly in the administration of the law, while diligently guarding over the rights of the citizens it serves; and

WHEREAS, Judge Dominick Viscardi was a communicant and a trustee of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Ticonderoga, and was awarded the St. Mary's Centennial Award in 1992; and

WHEREAS, A man of sincere dedication, Judge Dominick Viscardi was a past Grand Knight, and most senior member of the Knights of Columbus Council 333, having been a member for 70 years; he is a past President of the Essex County Bar and the Federation of Bar Associations, 4th Judicial District; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his oldest son, Dominick, Judge Dominick Viscardi is survived by his loving wife of 71 years, Rose Marie Coveney Viscardi; his beloved children Michael, Mary Kathleen, John, Rose Marie, Theresa and Patrick; his nine grandchildren, James, Margaret, Joseph, Theresa, Benjamin, Kathleen, Erin, Amanda and Dominick; and his five great-grandchildren Aliza, Asher, Julia, Grace and Evelyn; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Judge Dominick Viscardi 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 The Honorable Dominick Viscardi, dedicated public servant and devoted member of his community, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of The Honorable Dominick Viscardi.