

BY: Senator O'MARA

CONGRATULATING James R. Frame upon the occasion of his retirement after 31 years as an educator

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of those outstanding educational leaders, whose dedication and achievements have been instrumental in developing character and academic excellence in the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate James R. Frame upon the occasion of his retirement after 31 years as an educator; and

WHEREAS, The future success of our State and Nation is dependent upon individuals such as James R. Frame, who have dedicated their lives nurturing our most precious resource, our youth; and

WHEREAS, Throughout over three decades as an educator, James R. Frame continuously strived to facilitate and lead public educational reform efforts which significantly empowered students, staff, and families to succeed; and

WHEREAS, From July of 2005 through November of 2014, James R. Frame served as the Superintendent of the Odessa-Montour Central School District; under his luminous leadership, the district was recognized at the state, national and international level for its innovative implementation of technology in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, During this time, James R. Frame hosted a statewide educational technology conference at Odessa-Montour Central School District, and was invited to present at conferences in both California and London, England on best practices for the use of technology in education; and

WHEREAS, On December 1, 2014, James R. Frame assumed the title of District Superintendent of Greater Southern Tier (GST) BOCES, the position from which he officially retired on April 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, James R. Frame built GST BOCES into a premier BOCES in the state, known for innovation and accountability through his superlative leadership; and

WHEREAS, James R. Frame truly cared about his staff and students and was committed to developing and empowering individual leadership capacity, resulting in a higher level of service to all involved; he promoted the great efforts of GST BOCES staff and strived to help them

understand their worth in helping students to succeed, serving industry with ready-trained workers and developing relationships which are proactive in serving all constituents; and

WHEREAS, GST BOCES is built on the foundation of integrity, collaboration, leadership, and service, values which James R. Frame truly embodies; it is rare to find a leader who possesses as much compassion and commitment to modeling these values as he has; and

WHEREAS, James R. Frame established BOCES' capacity within the community and joined with local businesses to expand its opportunities to a broader audience; through these partnerships, innovative programming such as the P-TECH STEM Academy, expanded Career and Technical Education offerings, and enhancing Special Education opportunities for students were developed; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his exemplary work with the GST BOCES, James R. Frame has been actively involved with numerous community organizations including United Way of Schuyler County, Rotary International, Career Development Council, Schuyler County Chamber of Commerce, and Chemung County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who have worked to support our proud tradition of public education by providing their skills and talents to our schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate James R. Frame upon the occasion of his retirement, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James R. Frame.