Assembly Resolution No. 2007

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MOURNING the death of Angela J. Filippone, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community

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

WHEREAS, Angela J. Filippone of Buffalo, New York died on March 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Angela J. Filippone was raised in Angola, New York, by her parents Louis and Lena Chiappone alongside her cousins, nieces, and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Working in government for over 50 years, Angela J. Filippone started her career by serving on the Buffalo Common Council as an elected delegate in 1976 and 1988, breaking through the glass ceiling to become the first Italian-American woman to be elected to the city council; and

WHEREAS, As a testament to her accomplishments, Erie County honored Angela J. Filippone as "Woman of the Year" in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Angela J. Filippone served as a public liaison to the former County Executive Joel A. Giambra until her retirement in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Truly devoted to her community, Angela J. Filippone enjoyed volunteering her time to Tonawanda Town Clerk Marguerite Greco; and

WHEREAS, Since July 2023, Angela J. Filippone's career has been honored and displayed in an exhibit highlighting impactful local Italian-American government leaders at the Italian Cultural Center of Buffalo; her achievement is further commemorated with a brick on the walkway of the center; and

WHEREAS, Instrumental in opening doors for women after her, Angela J. Filippone had a sense of what people needed and knew how to convince others in order get what she needed for her district; she established many firsts, like the Italian festival which was located on Connecticut Street; and

WHEREAS, Angela J. Filippone distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, Angela J. Filippone's commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise,

including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Angela J. Filippone is survived by her husband, Salvatore; her children, Randall, Gregg, and the late Marc-Jon; and her grandchildren, Ashlee McKean, Randall S., Andrew, and Haley Norton; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Angela J. Filippone leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Angela J. Filippone, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Angela J. Filippone.