

**BY:** Senator GRIFFO

**CONGRATULATING** Vinny Faraone upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of distinguished service and leadership in the field of Emergency Medical Services

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those individuals whose long-standing commitment to public service and professional excellence has significantly advanced the health, safety, and well-being of communities throughout New York State; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Vinny Faraone upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of exemplary service in the field of Emergency Medical Services (EMS); and

**WHEREAS,** A true leader in prehospital care, Vinny Faraone has devoted his life to improving EMS systems, fostering regional cooperation, and enhancing patient outcomes across the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** For the past 19 years, Vinny Faraone has served with distinction as Director of Operations at Kunkel Ambulance, where his leadership has helped guide the agency in delivering high-quality emergency medical services to the community; and

**WHEREAS,** Vinny Faraone was a founding member of the Midstate Regional EMS Council in 1993 and has remained an active and influential presence on the Council for over three decades; and

**WHEREAS,** His impact has extended to the state level through his longstanding service on the New York State EMS Council and its various committees, where his insights, advocacy, and policy contributions have shaped the advancement of emergency medical care statewide; and

**WHEREAS,** Since 1995, Vinny Faraone has also served as a dedicated member of the United New York Ambulance Network (UNYAN), lending his voice to important discussions on EMS infrastructure, funding, and collaboration; and

**WHEREAS,** For 10 years, Vinny Faraone served as the Midstate Regional Clinical Coordinator through Mohawk Valley Health System (formerly Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare), where he played a key role in strengthening the connection between EMS providers and area hospitals; and

**WHEREAS,** Vinny Faraone was instrumental in helping Faxton-St. Luke's achieve Comprehensive Stroke Center designation by ensuring meaningful EMS involvement in the program, and he worked closely with the late Dr.

John DeTraglia to enhance trauma care services at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, now part of MVHS; and

**WHEREAS,** Through his deep experience, collaborative approach, and unwavering commitment to clinical excellence, Vinny Faraone has left an indelible mark on the EMS profession in the Mohawk Valley and beyond; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Vinny Faraone upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of dedicated service to Emergency Medical Services, and to commend him for his outstanding leadership, mentorship, and tireless commitment to advancing prehospital care in New York State; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Vinny Faraone, with the sincere appreciation and best wishes of the New York State Legislature.