

Senate Resolution No. 1423

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Ronald Deagan, distinguished citizen, firefighter, and devoted 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 and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Deagan of Mahopac, New York, died on Thursday, January 1, 2026, at the age of 51; and

WHEREAS, Born to William J. and Joanna Deagan in Yonkers, New York, on January 22, 1974, Ronald Deagan was a lifelong resident of Mahopac, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Deagan distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, After graduating Mahopac High School in 1992, Ronald Deagan worked for several years as a maintenance technician at the Chappaqua School District, and he was the proud owner of SMS Heating in Mahopac, New York; and

WHEREAS, Filled with a strong sense of duty, Ronald Deagan proudly served the Mahopac Volunteer Fire Department in various positions, including as captain of Engine Co. 3 at the Crane Road station and as lieutenant of Engine Co. 1 at the department headquarters; and

WHEREAS, As a firefighter, Ronald Deagan served his community and his fellow firefighters courageously; and

WHEREAS, On August 14, 1999, Ronald Deagan married his beloved wife, Michele Harrigan, at St. John the Evangelist Church in Mahopac, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Deagan was a thoughtful man, and he loved fishing, enjoying his coffee, listening to Bon Jovi, and watching the Chicago Bears; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Deagan's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Deagan is survived by his wife, Michele; his daughters, Gabrielle and Alexandra; his mother, Joanna; his brothers, William and John; his sisters, Suzanne and Nancy; and several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Ronald Deagan 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 Ronald Deagan, distinguished citizen, firefighter, and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Ronald Deagan.