

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Richard Coyne, distinguished citizen 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 endeavors served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Richard Coyne of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, died on January 23, 2026, at the age of 79; and

WHEREAS, Born on September 17, 1946, in Yonkers, New York, to the late Albert and Catherine (Bartel) Coyne, Richard Coyne proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1966 to 1968, before he dedicated his life to his craft, his family, and the outdoors he loved so dearly; and

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

WHEREAS, Richard Coyne owned and operated Performance Engineering from 1971 to 1983, specializing in automotive repair and competition race cars; and

WHEREAS, Spending the next 28 years inspiring and educating young minds as an automotive instructor at Saunders Trade and Technical High School in Yonkers, Richard Coyne dedicated his time to sharing his love for automotive repair until his retirement in 2001; and

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

WHEREAS, Beyond his professional accomplishments, Richard Coyne was an avid outdoorsman who found joy in fishing and hunting; and

WHEREAS, When not in the field, Richard Coyne could be found coaching his children in youth sports or cheering proudly from the sidelines as his grandchildren took the field and the court; and

WHEREAS, Richard Coyne's life was marked by generosity, patience, and an enduring love for his family and community; and

WHEREAS, Richard Coyne is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Lynn Coyne; his sister, Marilyn Falk; his brothers Joseph and Charles Boyce; his children, Doreen Francey (Bryan), Sean Coyne (Jennifer), and Michael Coyne (Crystal); and his cherished grandchildren, Ethan, Olivia, Colden, Wyatt Francey, Caiden, Tinley, and Declan Coyne; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Richard Coyne 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 Richard Coyne, distinguished citizen 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 Richard Coyne.