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HONORING Chief Robert Clontz upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the City of Tonawanda Police Department

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Chief Robert Clontz upon the occasion of his retirement after 36 years of distinguished service to the City of Tonawanda Police Department, effective Saturday, January 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, For over 36 years, Robert Clontz rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the City of Tonawanda Police Department, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Filled with a strong sense of duty and a commitment to his community, Robert Clontz began his career at the City of Tonawanda Police Department on December 26, 1989; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career at the City of Tonawanda Police Department, Robert Clontz was recognized for his performance and rose through the ranks of officer, detective, lieutenant, detective lieutenant, and, most recently, chief of police; and

WHEREAS, At the City of Tonawanda Police Department, Robert Clontz was committed to helping his colleagues, and he trained and mentored officers as a field training supervisor and firearms and less lethal instructor; and

WHEREAS, During his service, Robert Clontz helped form the T-NT SWAT Team, where he served for 18.5 years, including 12 years as team leader; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as police chief, Robert Clontz served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; and

WHEREAS, To the many law enforcement personnel who have served alongside him and those he has mentored and protected throughout his career, the dedicated service of Chief Robert Clontz reflects the very best of what it means to be a public servant; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens

of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Chief Robert Clontz upon the occasion of his retirement after 36 years of distinguished service to the City of Tonawanda Police Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Robert Clontz.