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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jan H. Plumadore upon the occasion of his retirement as the New York State Supreme Court Justice for the Fourth Judicial District

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 Jan H. Plumadore upon the occasion of his retirement as the New York State Supreme Court Justice for the Fourth Judicial District; he also retired as Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for the 57 counties outside of New York City; and

WHEREAS, Jan H. Plumadore grew up in Saranac Lake, New York, received a bachelor's degree from St. Lawrence University and attended Albany Law School; he then served in the United States Army and was deployed to Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, After serving in the Franklin County Legislature from 1975 to 1977, Jan H. Plumadore was elected as a Franklin County Court Judge, where he served a 10-year term before being elected to the New York State Supreme Court in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Jan H. Plumadore was re-elected to the New York State Supreme Court in 2001 and became Deputy Chief Administrative Judge in 2004; prior to this, he was a statewide administrative judge in the Fourth Judicial District for about 10 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Jan H. Plumadore played rugby while attending law school and in the Army after that; in 1971, he co-founded the Mountaineers rugby team in Saranac Lake with a number of others, including Kerry Kelly, John Morgan and William Doolittle; and

WHEREAS, A few years later, the Mountaineers organized an eight-team tournament in Saranac Lake; the Can-Am tournament expanded to 16 teams the following year and kept growing until there were about 100 teams; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career on the bench, Jan H. Plumadore served with intelligence and caring dedication, continuously striving to effectively fulfill the duties of his position; and

WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by all those with whom he worked, Jan H. Plumadore will be remembered for his honesty, integrity, keen sense of duty and ability to show a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; 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 Jan H. Plumadore upon the occasion of his retirement as the New York State Supreme Court Justice for the Fourth Judicial District, and to wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jan H. Plumadore.