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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of former Broome County Executive Donald L. McManus, 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 endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Donald Leo McManus of Endicott, New York, died on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, at the age of 79; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. McManus was a kind and compassionate man who had a devout love for God, church, family and his country; he was a member of St. Anthony of Padua Church in Endicott, New York, serving as a Parish Trustee and in the funeral ministry; and

WHEREAS, He served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. McManus distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, He was the owner and proprietor of McManus Press in Endicott, New York; as a dedicated public servant, he was a Town of Union Councilman, Supervisor and elected Broome County's first Democratic County Executive; his commitment to public service elevated him to the state level as a Regional Ombudsman, Director of Regulatory Affairs of the Department of State before serving as active Secretary of State under former Governor Hugh Carey; and

WHEREAS, Donald L. McManus retired as the Deputy Director of the New York State Thruway Authority; and

WHEREAS, His commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity,

carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his parents, Edwin and Doris McManus; his in-laws, Thomas and Antoinette Gleeson; brothers, Matthew McManus, Joseph McManus and Jerome McManus; sister, Sharon Mang; brothers-in-law, Michael Fiorelli and William Kostun; Donald L. McManus is survived by his wife of 57 years, Kathleen Gleeson McManus; daughters, Kim (Jim) Crandall, Kathleen (Ron) Nowak; sons, Donald (Gina) McManus, Kevin (Rebecca) McManus, Matthew (Jennifer) McManus, Edwin (Jennifer) McManus; 14 grandchildren, Ryan (Taylor) Crandall, Allison McManus, Donald (DJ) McManus, Amy Crandall, Ashley Crandall, Amber McManus, Stephanie Pruden, Eric Pruden, Elyssa McManus, Edwin McManus, Kevin McManus Jr., Jacob McManus, Aileen McManus and Taylor McManus; four great-grandchildren, Anthony McManus, Hayden Strobe, Alana McManus, and Harlow Crandall; four brothers, William McManus, David (Patricia) McManus, Michael (Terri) McManus, James (Linda) McManus; four sisters, Marcella Fiorelli, Joanne (Richard) Nolan, Helen Kostun, Kathleen (Charles) Porter; and brother-in-law, Robert Mang; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Donald L. McManus 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 former Broome County Executive Donald L. McManus, 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 Donald L. McManus.