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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring S. Gerald Davidson upon the occasion of his retirement

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize those 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor S.

Gerald Davidson upon the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Officially retiring at the end of December 2012, S. Gerald Davidson is a founding partner of the firm, Davidson Fink LLP of Rochester, New York, which was created in 1968; he is recognized as one of the "Best Lawyers in America"; his leadership and sense of community have been infused throughout the firm, and he has been instrumental in its growth and success over the years; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Davidson's legal practice focuses on counseling clients in the areas of matrimonial, family and collaborative family law; he recognizes the importance of providing superior services and offers significant experience in the area of collaborative family law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davidson has successfully litigated cases throughout Monroe, Ontario, Livingston, Steuben and Wayne Counties; and

WHEREAS, Graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Rochester in 1952, Gerald Davidson earned his LL.B. degree from Cornell Law School in 1955; that same year, he was admitted to the New York State Bar; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Gerald Davidson is affiliated with numerous organizations, including: the Monroe County Bar Association,

the New York State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, the Collaborative Law Association of the Rochester Area, Inc., the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals, the Town of Brighton Board of Appeals, the Jewish Home of Rochester, and the New York Super Lawyers; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Gerald Davidson over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor S. Gerald Davidson upon the occasion of his retirement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to S. Gerald Davidson.