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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION saluting Commander Matthew Doran upon the occasion of being promoted to Captain in the United States Navy

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed individuals whose lives have been committed to the pursuit of excellence and who bring great pride to the citizens of our great State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to salute Commander Matthew Doran upon the occasion of being promoted to Captain in the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, Commander Doran, a 1986 graduate of Westhill High School in Syracuse, New York, a 1990 graduate of Saint Lawrence University in Canton, New York, and a 1993 graduate of Albany Law School in Albany, New York, reported to the United States Navy for active military duty in August of 1992; and

WHEREAS, After successfully passing the New York State Bar Exam and being admitted to practice law in New York State, Commander Doran served on active duty in the Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps at Naval Legal Service Office Southwest in San Diego, California, from 1994 to 1996, and at the Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals in Washington, DC from 1996 to 1998; and

WHEREAS, Commander Doran left active duty in 1998, and joined the Navy Reserve, where he has continuously served in various positions; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, Commander Doran joined the Onondaga County District Attorney's Office, where he currently serves as the Chief of the Homicide Bureau; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Commander Doran has played a major role in the development of District Attorney Fitzpatrick's Veteran's Diversion

Program, which provides meaningful assistance to local veterans; furthermore, he continues, on a regular basis, to assist veterans in the Diversion Program as well as through legal assistance services; and WHEREAS, In 2003, Commander Doran was mobilized to active duty in support of operations Iraqi Freedom, Noble Eagle and Enduring Freedom, where he served at the Navy Mobilization Processing Site, Naval Submarine Base Groton and oversaw the mobilization and demobilization of thousands of Navy Reservists; and

WHEREAS, Commander Doran also served as the director of the mobilization station, providing legal assistance to thousands of Navy personnel; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, Commander Doran was selected to serve as a Court-Martial Judge in the Navy-Marine Corps Trial Judiciary, where he presides over active duty courts-martial worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished military career, Commander Doran has received several promotions and has been granted numerous military awards, including: Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, and Expert Pistol Medal; and

WHEREAS, Commander Doran has had the continued support of his family, which includes his wife, Benedicte, and their three wonderful children, Jack, William, and Harrison, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, In all his official acts, Commander Doran has been governed by a sense of loyalty, duty and honor, allowing him to be a natural leader within our country and community at-large; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to salute Commander Matthew Doran upon the occasion of being promoted to Captain in the United States Navy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Commander Matthew Doran.