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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Leonard R. Hendrix upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 36 years of dedicated service as a public servant

WHEREAS, In the course of the evolving development of the Empire State, there have emerged certain public servants of truly magnanimous conduct and bearing and we call these individuals "distinguished citizens" of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Leonard R. Hendrix, Herkimer County legislator, District No. 6, upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 36 years of dedicated service as a public servant to be celebrated with a dinner on Friday, January 17, 2014, at Francesca's Banquet Hall, Ilion, New York; and WHEREAS, Leonard R. Hendrix began his tenure with the Herkimer County Legislature on February 2, 1977 to fill the unexpired term of Victor Norman; his first committee assignments included: county planning and development (chair); committees on rules & legislation, county properties, highways and education; and

WHEREAS, He served as chairman of the county legislature from 2003 through 2007; he has served on every major committee, many as committee chair, throughout his more than 36 years on the county legislature; and WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Ilion, Leonard R. Hendrix has served as a trustee of Herkimer County Community College, as a member of the jury board, health services advisory board, alternatives to incarceration advisory board and fire advisory board; and WHEREAS, During the entire period of his public service, a period of constructive involvement, Leonard R. Hendrix has stood constant in

dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Recently, Leonard R. Hendrix, along with his wife, Sandy, and son, Scott, were honored by the Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce with the Milestone Award, celebrating 120 years of their funeral service business (Whiter-Hendrix) in Ilion; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, with him throughout have been their three children, as well as four grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Leonard R. Hendrix has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Leonard R. Hendrix upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 36 years of dedicated service as a public servant; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leonard R. Hendrix.