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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Lieutenant Deming Lindsley upon the occasion of his retirement from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation after many years of distinguished service

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals whose exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service on behalf of their profession and the environment have significantly enhanced the quality of life in the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend Lieutenant Deming Lindsley upon the occasion of his retirement from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), after many years of distinguished service as he completes 40 years of outstanding service; and

WHEREAS, One of the most respected and experienced Conservation Officers in the State of New York, Lieutenant Deming Lindsley officially retired in August of 2013; he is the most senior DEC Law Enforcement Officer in the State of New York with more than 40 years on the job; and WHEREAS, In 1976, Deming Lindsley became Zone Lieutenant; for the last eight years he has been the most senior officer of all the ranks and the last Tier 1 officer to retire; besides his deep knowledge of EnCon Law, his strong ability to deal with the public and his desire to educate people on what he does, he also has a great sense of humor; and WHEREAS, To say Deming Lindsley grew up in the DEC would be a little bit of an understatement, his father, Burton, was a DEC officer from 1952 until 1980 where he always worked Sullivan County; and WHEREAS, At one time, the Lindsley families of White Sulphur Springs had four of their own in the department; Burton and his son, Deming,

worked law enforcement and Graydon, Burton's brother and his son, Carl, worked in wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Out of 19 academy classes, Deming Lindsley taught 17 of them in Fish and Wildlife Law; he also taught at SUNY Cobleskill for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Deming Lindsley went into the United States Navy after earning his degree from Orange County Community College; after his military service, he went back to college for a semester before a job opened up with the DEC in December of 1972, and after four years in Orange County, he earned the rank of Lieutenant; and WHEREAS, Lieutenant Deming Lindsley worked for 20 years in Delaware County, working out of the Regional Office in Stamford; Region 4 included Delaware and Greene Counties; he also served for a time in Ulster and Dutchess Counties while living in Phoenicia; his latest assignment was his home of Sullivan County; and WHEREAS, With Lieutenant Deming Lindsley throughout have been his wife, Nancy, and their three children, Amy Jo, Veronica and Boyd, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Deming Lindsley has always led by example, continuously demonstrating his dedication and commitment to environmental law and natural resource conservation; for more than four decades, he has distinguished himself in his profession and in service to his community and the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Deming Lindsley has served the New York State
Department of Environmental Conservation, law enforcement, the environment, and the people of the State of New York with honor and distinction; his accomplishments and contributions while with the DEC

will most assuredly brook the passage of time and be recorded as significantly improving the quality of life of us all; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Lieutenant Deming Lindsley upon the occasion of his retirement from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation after many years of distinguished service; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lieutenant Deming Lindsley.