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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of George Maney, former Fire Chief, 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, George Maney of Johnson City, New York, died on Sunday, December 15, 2013, at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, George Maney was born on November 14, 1941, to John and Mary (Hiovich) Maney; he was a lifetime member of St. James Church in Johnson City, New York; and

WHEREAS, George Maney distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, George Maney's illustrious career as a firefighter spanned over 37 years with the Johnson City Fire Department, 15 of those years serving as its Chief; he officially retired in July of 2001; and

WHEREAS, He also served as President of the New York State Association of Fire Chiefs, Chairman of the New York State Department of State - Division of Building Standards and Codes, and served on the New York State Codes Council Fire Sub-Committee; and

WHEREAS, George Maney was a member of New York State Building Officials, Career Fire Chiefs New York State, International Codes Council, International Association of Fire Chiefs, former member of Choconut Center Volunteer Fire Department, member of the Johnson City Knights of Columbus No. 2953, and a volunteer for the BC Open/Dicks Open Golf Tournament; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his duties as Fire Chief, George Maney spent

many years as Building Inspector for the Village of Johnson City; in that capacity, he helped many owners navigate the requirements for opening their new businesses; and

WHEREAS, George Maney is survived by his wife of 51 years, Bonnie (Palmer) Maney; his four children, Karin Maney, Michael (Sarah) Maney, Gregory (Amy) Maney, and Kathleen (Luke) St. John; and his four grandchildren, Noah, Michael, Leah, and Henry; as well as a large extended family; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable man stood head and shoulders above other men, and was known for his absolute honesty and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, George Maney 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 George Maney, 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 George Maney.