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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring James C. Merrick upon the occasion of his retirement after 22 years of distinguished service to both the Groveland Town Board and the Livingston County Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding tradition, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend James C. Merrick on the occasion of his retirement after 22 years of distinguished service to both the Town of Groveland and Livingston County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, James C. Merrick began his devoted service to the Town of Groveland over two decades ago, and has diligently served as its Town Supervisor for the past 15 years; he also worked as chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors for a similar amount of time; and WHEREAS, James C. Merrick is noted for always putting the needs of his community first and for the many notable achievements during his tenure; and

WHEREAS, Under his superb guidance, The Town of Groveland was able to bring multiple improvements to its sewers, roads and fire department, as well as further grants for the construction of a salt and machinery facility and the development of Groveland's Ambuscade Park; and WHEREAS, As Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, James C. Merrick diligently worked to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Livingston County; he spearheaded the construction of building projects for services including a new jail, nursing home and emergency medical services, among others; and

WHEREAS, He is credited with improving the efficiency of Livingston

County government by streamlining the number of committee meetings from 13 to just three, Human Services, Public Services and Ways and Means; all Department of Social Services programs were also reorganized to be placed under one roof; and

WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by those he worked with, James C. Merrick will be remembered for his honesty, integrity, and keen sense of duty; and

WHEREAS, In the faithful performance of his duties and responsibilities, James C. Merrick's ongoing efforts and notable achievements have significantly contributed to bettering the quality of life for the residents of the Town of Groveland and all of Livingston County; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor James C. Merrick upon the occasion of his retirement after 22 years of distinguished service to both the Town of Groveland and Livingston County; and best wishes in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James C. Merrick.