

## 2013-J3827

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Janice Judge, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community, on October 5, 2013

WHEREAS, It is with great sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Janice Judge on Saturday, October 5, 2013, noting the significance of her purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Janice Judge was a beloved educator, wife, mother, grandmother, and godmother with a passion for music and a flair for life, who enhanced the lives of all she touched; and

WHEREAS, Janice Judge was born in Statesville, North Carolina, on May 20, 1945, to Elliott and Revellius (Sue) Caldwell; she met her husband, Harry Judge, in their church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, when she was 15 and he 16; the couple married in 1964; and

WHEREAS, She earned a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Cheyney State Teacher's College in Pennsylvania, and a master's degree in Music Education from SUNY Fredonia; and

WHEREAS, Janice Judge moved to Binghamton, New York, with her husband when he was offered a position at IBM, and she began her education career, teaching first at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, then in the Union-Endicott school district; and

WHEREAS, Janice Judge stopped teaching to start a family; a full-time homemaker, she was devoted to meeting the needs of her three children, Pamela, Connie, and Jonathan; and

WHEREAS, Janice Judge distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, After raising her children, she returned to the workforce full-time as an elementary music teacher at Horace Mann Elementary School in Binghamton, where she taught for decades, touching the hearts

of many with her love for her students, teaching, and music; and

WHEREAS, Janice Judge's commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, She was a faithful member, praise leader and Music Director at Faith Evangelistic Church in Johnson City, and was well-known throughout the Southern Tier for playing the piano and conducting the Binghamton Community Gospel Choir and Angelic Voices of Praise; in addition, she was very involved with the Women's Aglow Women's Ministry, leading worship at Women's Conferences and sharing her love of music at local churches; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by her father, Elliott, and her children, Jonathan and Pamela, Janice Judge is survived by her husband, Harry; mother, Revellius Caldwell; daughter, Constance (Brian) Hughes; and grandchildren, Lateisha (Benson) Judge-Ulrich, Caleb Walker, Alondra Hughes, Xavian Hughes, and Joshua Walford; siblings, JoAnne Williams, Constance (Johnny) Prioleau, Dolores (Rickie) Carroll, David (Elaine) Caldwell, and Charles (Jackie) Caldwell; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and godchildren; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Janice Judge leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Janice Judge, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Janice Judge.