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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Chief James McGrath upon the occasion of his retirement from the Shandaken Police Department after 34 years of dedicated service

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Chief James McGrath upon the occasion of his retirement from the Shandaken Police Department after 34 years of dedicated service; he will officially retire from the esteemed position of Chief of Police on July 18, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Chief James McGrath, the Shandaken Police Department has grown into the professional department it is today and will continue to strive to better serve the community and protect its residents and visitors while providing this very necessary community service; and

WHEREAS, The quality and sanctity of community life are cherished values, worthy of safeguarding, and this Legislative Body is moved to honor those individuals who serve to preserve and protect such values, lauding particularly their unwavering courage and dedication in the daily performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize and commend such outstanding

law enforcement officers as Chief James McGrath for their valued contributions to the community and lifetime of sacrifice and service to others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Chief James McGrath upon the occasion of his retirement from the Shandaken Police Department after 34 years of dedicated service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief James McGrath.