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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the life of Thomas M. Margeit, 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, This Legislative Body is moved to honor the life and accomplishments of Thomas M. Margeit, a man who dedicated his life and career to the service and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, Thomas M. Margeit, a resident of Lodi, New York, died on Monday, April 29, 2013, at the age of 60; and

WHEREAS, Thomas M. Margeit distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, He was born on September 26, 1952, in Elmira, New York, the eldest son of Thomas L. and Esther (Stermer) Margeit; a graduate of Horseheads High School and Alfred Tech, Thomas Margeit worked as a corrections officer at Auburn Correctional Facility, where he was a member of the CERT team; and

WHEREAS, In 1995 Thomas M. Margeit transferred to Willard Drug Treatment Center where he worked as a drill instructor before retiring as the Chief of Fire and Safety in 2009; he was also the PT Instructor at the Fire Academy in Montour Falls for more than 10 years, working until just prior to his passing; and

WHEREAS, Thomas M. Margeit's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Thomas M. Margeit was a proud member of the Lodi Fire Depart-

ment, joining in 1978, and serving as the Chief since 1994, which included the Seneca County Chiefs Association; in addition, he generously lent his time and talents to the South Seneca Sportsmen's Club and Landmark Education; and

WHEREAS, A devout Catholic, Thomas M. Margeit lived by example; he was a loving family man, mentor and community member; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his parents, Thomas M. Margeit is survived by his wife of 35 years, Judy; his children, Amy (Brian) Kelly and their sons, Brayden and Liam; Michelle (Justin) Tingue and their children, Annabelle and Zack; Jennifer (Ryan) Teeter and their daughter, Mia; a special nephew, Robert (Roseanne) Cooper and their children, Robert and Ruby; his siblings, Gayle (Ted) Pritchard, Wendy (Danny) Swearingen and Terry (Julie) Margeit; as well as several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and his wife's extended family; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Thomas M. Margeit 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 honor the life and accomplishments of Thomas M. Margeit, 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 Thomas M. Margeit.