

## 2015-J120

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Duane Waid upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished public service to the Town of Covert

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens who demonstrate 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Duane Waid upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished public service to the Town of Covert, to be celebrated during the year end Town Meeting on Monday, December 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Duane Waid moved to Interlaken from Angelica in the early 1950s when he and his wife, Wanda, purchased the local newspaper, THE INTERLAKEN REVIEW, and the local print shop; while publishing a series of articles, he became interested in beekeeping, and after selling the newspaper, he expanded his hobby to what became a full time business; and

WHEREAS, For more than three decades, Duane Waid's bees have provided pollination services to orchards throughout the Finger Lakes and to the apple orchards along Lake Ontario; his honey can be found within the retail stores throughout the Finger Lakes area and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he is recognized by both the local and state Beekeepers Associations as an expert in the field, and has written many

articles and given many seminars and classes on the art of beekeeping;  
and

WHEREAS, Duane Waid was first elected to the Town of Covert board in 1958, taking office on January 1, 1959; he has served on the board for a total of 25 years in the capacity of Chairman of the Personnel Committee, the board's expert on insurance matters and a member of the Assessment Committee; and

WHEREAS, Active within the community he so ably serves, Duane Waid was a longtime member of the Interlaken Fire Department, the Community Action Group and the Interlaken Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Wanda, and their three children, Craig, Roxanne, and Jerry, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and in the great State of New York, is reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and careers to the service of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 the Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Duane Waid upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished public service to the Town of Covert; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Duane Waid.