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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Chief Michael C. Biasotti upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 37 years of distinguished service to the Town of New Windsor Police Department

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Michael C. Biasotti upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 37 years of distinguished service to the Town of New Windsor Police Department to be celebrated at a retirement dinner held on Saturday, January 17, 2015, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York; he will officially retire on January 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Biasotti began his illustrious career with the Town of New Windsor Police Department in March of 1977; and

WHEREAS, For over three decades, this esteemed officer has served and protected his community while contributing to the common good; he has received numerous commendations including the Police Medal of Honor, Police Silver Star of Bravery, and Chiefs Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Chief Michael C. Biasotti is a Past President of the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police; and

WHEREAS, Chief Michael C. Biasotti holds a Bachelor of Science Degree, summa cum laude, in Criminal Justice from Mercy College; he is also a

1996 graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy;
and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Chief Michael C. Biasotti completed his Master of Arts Degree in Security Studies from the United States Naval Post-graduate School's Center for Homeland Defense; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous academic honors, Chief Michael C. Biasotti was awarded the American Academy for Professional Law Enforcement's AAPLE Award for High Academic Achievement in Criminal Justice studies; he was also honored with the Exemplary Achievement in Academics and Leadership Award, as well as the Outstanding Thesis Award from the Center for Homeland Defense; and

WHEREAS, Chief Michael C. Biasotti served his country proudly during a fellowship with the United States Department of Homeland Security; he was an integral part of the writing team supporting the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive No. 8, which outlined the roles, responsibilities and required tasks to prevent imminent acts of terrorism; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Biasotti is also a nationally recognized subject matter expert in the area of untreated severe mental illness and its intersection with our nation's Criminal Justice System; and

WHEREAS, Subsequently, he has appeared on numerous nationally broadcasted television and radio programs and has authored many widely-cited articles and papers on the subject; and

WHEREAS, In March of 2014, Michael C. Biasotti testified as a subject matter expert, before a Congressional Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, at a hearing entitled, "Where Have All the Patients Gone?"; and

WHEREAS, Chief Michael C. Biasotti's remarkable career of professional and personal service to the Town of New Windsor, the State of New York and the Nation, warrants the recognition and commendation of this Legislative Body; 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 commend Chief Michael C. Biasotti upon the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Town of New Windsor Police Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Michael C. Biasotti.