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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Richard E. Bolton, 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, Richard E. Bolton of Little River, South Carolina, and formerly of Hague, New York, died on Thursday, February 19, 2015, at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, Born on February 2, 1927, in Hague, Richard E. Bolton was the son of Harry B. Havens and Pauline Bolton; he was adopted by his grand-parents, Richard J. and Mame Bolton in 1935; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Hague High School in 1944, Richard E. Bolton attended Champlain College in 1949, and Siena College in 1951; and

WHEREAS, Richard E. Bolton distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, For 29 years, Richard E. Bolton served the International Paper Company with loyalty, honor, and distinction, until his retirement as Department Superintendent; and

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

WHEREAS, Despite his busy schedule, Richard E. Bolton contributed seven terms as a member of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, and two terms as Board Chairman; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Richard E. Bolton was a member of the Board of

Directors for the Supervisors and County Legislators Association from 1983 to 1988, and served as the third Vice President of the organization in 1991; he also served as a member of the Lake George Park Commission and Chairman of the Glens Falls Transportation Council; and WHEREAS, Committed to giving back to his community, Richard E. Bolton was a past Commander of the American Legion, President of the Hague Fish and Game Club, Warren County Conservation Council, and the Hague Chamber of Commerce; furthermore, he was a vestryman of the Episcopal Church and a charter member of the Hague Fire Department; and WHEREAS, An avid golfer for more than 50 years, Richard E. Bolton's many accomplishments on the greens include becoming Club Champion at the Ticonderoga Country Club and Cypress Bay Country Club, winning the gold medal in golf at the 1992 Empire State Games, and finishing third in the 1995 World Amateur Championships; and WHEREAS, Predeceased by his loving wife of 64 years, Penelope, Richard E. Bolton is survived by his five children, Richard Jr. (Sharon), Stephen (Jennifer), Terence (Pamela), Katherine, and Elizabeth (Frank);

as well as his five grandchildren, Collin, Erin, Haley, Corinne, and Joseph; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, and imbued with a sense of compassion, Richard E. Bolton 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 mourn the death of Richard E. Bolton, 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 Richard E. Bolton.