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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Robert Scott upon the occasion of his selection as 2015 Orange County Senior Citizen of the Year by the New York State Office for the Aging

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Robert Scott upon the occasion of his selection as 2015 Orange County Senior Citizen of the Year by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Senior Citizens Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 5, 2015, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in the Egg, Albany, New York; and WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Robert Scott was born and raised in Warwick, New York, and currently resides in the Village of Florida; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army for three years, including one year as a combat medic in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Following the completion of his military service, Robert Scott was employed by the United States Postal Service from 1973 until 2002; during this time, he served in several levels of management before retiring as Postmaster of Bellvale; and

WHEREAS, Robert Scott has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Known for his dedication to helping others, Robert Scott has been a member of the Senior Council, and has served on its Board of Directors for many years; he is also a member of the Orange County Senior Games Committee, spending many hours planning and coordinating various events; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Robert Scott is a member of the Office of the Aging's RSVP Council, where he assists seniors with challenging, rewarding, and significant volunteer service opportunities; and WHEREAS, A member of numerous civic and professional organizations, Robert Scott currently serves as Chairman of the Village of Florida Planning Board, and Adjutant at the American Legion Post No. 1250; he is also a member of the Florida Historical Society and the Seward Homestead Restoration Committee; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Robert Scott has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Robert Scott has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Nancy, and his son, Matthew (Megan), as well as his grandson, Ben, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Robert Scott, a very active and industrious man, has inspired and enriched the lives of those he serves through his volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Robert Scott upon the occasion of being selected as the Orange County 2015 Senior Citizen of the Year by the New York State Office for the Aging; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted Robert Scott.