

## 2015-J3127

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Martin Donnelly upon the occasion of his retirement after 18 years of distinguished service to the Town of Andes

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Martin Donnelly upon the occasion of his retirement after 18 years of distinguished service to the Town of Andes; and

WHEREAS, Martin Donnelly and his wife, Yvonne, raised and nurtured their children on Long Island, where he owned and operated Martin Donnelly Insurance Services; in addition, he was a vital member of the fire department; and

WHEREAS, After the children graduated from high school, Martin and Yvonne Donnelly moved to Andes, New York, to help with his mother; it was not long before he became involved with local politics; and

WHEREAS, Almost two decades ago, Martin Donnelly was elected to the esteemed position of supervisor of the Town of Andes; he will fondly be remembered for his dedication to the town in which he both lived and worked; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Martin Donnelly was a great supporter of projects which would greatly benefit the town; he always had his eyes and ears open to things that were good for his community; and

WHEREAS, Along with his role as town supervisor, Martin Donnelly was an enthusiastic member of the board of directors of O'Connor Hospital and the Catskill Watershed Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious career, Martin Donnelly served the Town of Andes, New York, with intelligence and caring dedication, continuously striving to effectively fulfill the duties of his position; and

WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by all those with whom he worked, Martin Donnelly will be remembered for his honesty, integrity, keen sense of duty and ability to show a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; and

WHEREAS, After he retires, Martin Donnelly looks forward to spending more time with his family and enjoying his hobbies, such as history and stamp collecting; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 58 years, Yvonne, five loving children, Martin III, Michael, Steven, Margaret, and Ellen, and nine treasured grandchildren, Kelly, Sean, Timothy, Kaitlyn, Kelsey, Allison, Jack, Kristin, and Megan, as well as two great-grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Martin Donnelly upon the occasion of his retirement after 18 years of distinguished service to the Town of Andes, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Martin Donnelly.