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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Chief Deputy Gabrielle Liddy upon the occasion of her retirement after 25 years of distinguished service to the Oneida County Sheriff's Office

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 commend Chief Deputy Gabrielle Liddy upon the occasion of her retirement after 25 years of distinguished service to the Oneida County Sheriff's Office; and WHEREAS, A life-long resident of Oneida County, Gabrielle Liddy is a native of Rome, New York; as a young woman, she worked diligently to earn numerous educational achievements including an associate's degree in Criminal Justice, bachelor's degree in Public Administration, and a master's degree in Criminal Justice Administration; and WHEREAS, In 1990, Gabrielle Liddy began her illustrious career with the Oneida County Sheriff's Office; since then, she has ably served in a variety of important roles including Correction Officer, Officer in Charge, Inmate Program Supervisor, Armory Supervisor, and Liaison for the New York State Education Department's Incarcerated Youth Program; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed public servant worked tirelessly in such capacities as Public Relations Officer, Board Member of Alterna-

tives to Incarceration, and Commander of the Sheriff's Emergency Response Team; and

WHEREAS, Following her first promotion to Sergeant in 1998, Gabrielle Liddy was appointed to the rank of Lieutenant that same year; she later received her third promotion to the position of Captain in 2007, and was assigned to oversee correctional facility operations; and WHEREAS, In 2011, Captain Gabrielle Liddy became the first woman to be appointed Chief Deputy of the Correction Division in the history of the Oneida County Sheriff's Office, and one of only a small number of women to hold this elite position state-wide; and

WHEREAS, In her official acts, Chief Deputy Gabrielle Liddy served with loyalty, honor, and distinction while maintaining the safety and security of Oneida County facilities; she also provided sound fiscal management which resulted in significant cost savings to local tax payers; and

WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Gabrielle Liddy has received numerous awards and citations during her remarkable career including Rookie of the Year, Good Conduct, Promotion of Grade, Ready Commendation, Educational Achievement and the Grand Cordon; she was also presented with the prestigious Carl Draxler Award in 2013 by the New York State Sheriff's Association; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Chief Deputy Gabrielle Liddy is working towards her Ph.D. in Law and Public Policy, and teaches as an Adjunct Professor at Keuka College, SUNY Morrisville, and Utica College; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Mark, and their two children, Brandon and Brittney, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent 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 Deputy Gabrielle Liddy upon the occasion of her retirement; and to wish her all the best in her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Deputy Gabrielle Liddy.