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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Thomas K. Conerty, 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, Thomas Kevin Conerty, of Bolton Landing, New York, died on Thursday, December 24, 2015, at the age of 71; and

WHEREAS, Born on April 4, 1944, in Troy, New York, Thomas K. Conerty was the son of the late Richard Kevin and Malvina Emma (MacDuff) Conerty; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Bolton Landing, Thomas K. Conerty graduated from Bolton Central School in 1962, and earned his bachelor's degree from St. Michael's College in 1966; and

WHEREAS, Thomas K. Conerty married Kathleen (Moore) Conerty of Watertown, New York, on June 11, 1966, and together, they were the proud parents of two daughters and the loving grandparents of four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, During his illustrious career at Bolton Central School, Thomas K. Conerty taught biology, chemistry and physics; he also served as the Boys Junior Varsity Basketball coach; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his college and teaching years, Thomas K. Conerty was employed in the summer months at the Lake George Steamboat Company; he began serving as a deck hand for a few years, and eventually earned his apprentice license and master's license; and

WHEREAS, In 1980, Thomas K. Conerty left teaching to join the Lake George Steamboat Company as a full-time employee; he served as a pilot and Captain mainly aboard the MV Mohican, and MV Ticonderoga, until the

construction of the MV Lac du Saint Sacrament in 1989; and  
WHEREAS, As Captain of the MV Lac du Saint Sacrament, Thomas K. Conerty was respected for his generous and professional nature, as well as for his masterful handling of the 1,350-horsepower ship; and  
WHEREAS, Thomas K. Conerty's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; he served as a fireman with the Bolton Volunteer Fire Department, and was its Secretary for many years; and  
WHEREAS, With a sense of civic responsibility, Thomas K. Conerty held the positions of Town Board member and Deputy Supervisor of the Town of Bolton; he was also a vital part of numerous local boards and committees including the Bolton Free Library Board, the Bolton Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Bolton Stormwater Committee; and  
WHEREAS, Moreover, Thomas K. Conerty was a member of the Lake George Park Commission, and served as its Vice Chairman from 2005 to 2014; he also contributed his time to the LGPC Surface Recreation Committee, and was Chairman of the LGPC Law Enforcement Committee; and  
WHEREAS, Predeceased by his parents, and brothers-in-law, Harry and Fred, Thomas K. Conerty is survived by his wife, Kathleen; their two daughters Sarah (Thomas) and Rebecca (Victor); four grandchildren, Sean, Samantha, Nathan and Daniel; one sister, Karen; two nephews, John (Lisa) and Joseph (Jessica); his mother-in-law Beverly; his sisters-in-law, Dawn, Monica (Michael), Billie, Sally (Tony), Linda, BJ (Lee), Kelly and Debe; and brother-in-law, William (Laura); as well as several other nieces and nephews; and  
WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Thomas K. Conerty 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 Thomas K. Conerty, 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 Thomas K. Conerty.