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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Mark J. Colmerauer, Hamburg Village Trustee, family man, 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, It is with feelings of deepest regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Mark J. Colmerauer, a preeminent citizen whose distinguished public service and caring commitment will long serve as a standard to which others might aspire; and

WHEREAS, Mark J. Colmerauer of Hamburg, New York, died on Wednesday, April 6, 2016, at the age of 45; and

WHEREAS, Born on November 13, 1970, in Buffalo, New York, Mark J. Colmerauer graduated from Hamburg High School in 1988; after graduating, he earned his Bachelor's degree in Geophysics from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Fredonia in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Mark J. Colmerauer distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, For numerous years, Mark J. Colmerauer was employed at C&S Companies, where he held the esteemed title of Department Manager of Environmental Services; in this capacity, he and his team led the environmental remediation of the Conventus site, helping it achieve LEED Platinum Certification and win an award from the American Council of Engineering Companies; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mark J. Colmerauer and his team worked at the HarborCenter project, managing the environmental brownfield cleanup for the site adjacent to First Niagara Center; and

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

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community in which he lived and worked, Mark J. Colmerauer served on the village Environmental Commission for five years; in December of 2009, he was appointed Hamburg Village Trustee; the following year, he was elected to the position, and was re-elected to his second term in 2014; and

WHEREAS, As a Trustee, Mark J. Colmerauer was involved in a number of initiatives, including overseeing the counting and cataloging of the village's 3,300 trees; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his job and village responsibilities, Mark J. Colmerauer served as a coach for Hamburg Youth Lacrosse and the Hamburg Hawks Hockey Organization; and

WHEREAS, Mark J. Colmerauer is survived by his wife, the former Joanne Staby; his daughter, Kate; his son, Brian; two brothers, Michael and Matthew; and one sister, Susan; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Mark J. Colmerauer 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 Mark J. Colmerauer, Hamburg Village Trustee, 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 Mark J. Colmerauer.