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Senate Resolution No. 347

BY: Senator DEFRANCISCO

COMMENDING The Honorable Anthony F. Aloi upon the occasion of his retirement after 16 years of distinguished service as an Onondaga County Court Judge

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor the distinguished careers of those esteemed individuals within our midst whose lives have been committed to the pursuit of excellence and who bring great pride to the citizens of our Empire State; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in the Central New York community has been ably served and uniquely enriched through the selfless dedication and benevolent concern of Judge Anthony F. Aloi; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Judge Anthony F. Aloi upon the occasion of his retirement after serving 16 years as an Onondaga County Court Judge; and

WHEREAS, Judge Anthony F. Aloi, a lifelong resident of Onondaga County, graduated from North High School in 1963; he then went on to complete a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Labor Relations from LeMoyne College in 1968; and WHEREAS, In 1971, Judge Anthony F. Aloi earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Akron School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Judge Anthony F. Aloi began his career as a confidential law clerk for the Onondaga County Court, and served in this position for more than 28 years until deciding to run for judge in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Judge Anthony F. Aloi has worked as a private practice lawyer handling real estate and house closing matters, and was also previously the chief legal advisor to Onondaga County Court Judges and appointed Acting Supreme Court Justice; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, Judge Anthony F. Aloi was elected by the voters of New York State's fifth Judicial District to his seat on the Onondaga County Court; in 2010, he was re-elected to this esteemed position; and

WHEREAS, During his time as a judge, The Honorable Anthony F. Aloi handled many high-profile cases and challenging cold cases including those of Donald Sigsbee, Roland Patnode, George Geddes, and Ronald Meadow; and

WHEREAS, More recently, Judge Anthony F. Aloi presided over other high-profile cases, such as the Ryan Lawrence (Baby Maddox) murder case; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Judge Anthony F. Aloi developed a reputation for being a fair but tough judge; he handled an annual case load of approximately 400 criminal cases, including integrated domestic

violence cases, as well as lower court appeals involving both criminal and civil matters; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Judge Anthony F. Aloi has lectured for the New York State Bar Association and the Onondaga Bar Association, and he continues to serve as a noted teacher of judges and lawyers regarding criminal law in the State of New York; in addition, he has previously served as a member of the New York State Death Penalty Resource Committee; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Judge Anthony F. Aloi has served his country as a former Captain in the U.S. Army Judge Advocates General Corps; and

WHEREAS, A communicant of Our Lady of Pompeii Church, Judge Anthony F. Aloi is a committed family man, having with him throughout his journey his loving wife of 48 years, Camille, and his two grown children Michelle (Marty) and Frank (Laura); and

WHEREAS, Upon his retirement, Judge Anthony F. Aloi will have more time to spend with his family, especially his four grandsons, Matthew, Tommy, Patrick Joseph and Anthony; he will also be able to devote more time to his hobbies which include boating, fishing, skiing, and golf; and

WHEREAS, Judge Anthony F. Aloi, in every capacity in which he has served, has left a permanent mark on the criminal justice community, and he will be forever remembered as a determined, innovative and genuinely concerned expert in his field; and

WHEREAS, In honor of his lifelong service and retirement, Judge Anthony F. Aloi's friends and family celebrated his distinguished career at a gathering at Benjamin's in Downtown Syracuse on December 1, 2016; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

recognize and honor Judge Anthony F. Aloi upon the occasion of his retirement, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be presented to The Honorable Anthony F. Aloi.