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Senate Resolution No. 64

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMENDING David A. Tomidy upon the occasion of retiring after 45 years of distinguished service to the Oneida County Probation Department

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend David A. Tomidy upon the occasion of retiring after 45 years of distinguished service to the Oneida County Probation Department to be celebrated with a dinner at Daniele's Banquet Specialists in New Hartford, New York, on Saturday, January 26, 2019; he officially retired on Sunday, December 9, 2018; and

WHEREAS, David A. Tomidy earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Geneseo State University, and his Master of Arts degree in Probation and Parole Studies from Fordham University; and

WHEREAS, David A. Tomidy began his illustrious career as a Probation Officer with the Oneida County Probation Department on April 23, 1973;

he rose through the ranks serving in many capacities including Senior Probation Officer and Probation Supervisor; furthermore, in 1993, David A. Tomidy started the Intensive Supervision Unit; and

WHEREAS, From December 5, 2006 until his retirement, David A. Tomidy held the esteemed position of Interim Probation Director; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, David A. Tomidy was appointed to the Governor's Council on Community Reentry and Integration; he was also a founding member of the Utica City Drug Court (2000) where he led the Utica Drug Court Alumni Group, oversaw the Reentry Programs from 2010-2016, and served as Chairman of the Oneida County Traffic; and

WHEREAS, David A. Tomidy was a member of numerous Boards of Directors such as: McPike Treatment Center, Center for Family Life and Recovery, Alternatives To Incarceration, and the Regional Youth Justice Team; in addition, he was instrumental in placing Probation Officers in 10 school districts in an effort to help reduce Juvenile Delinquency and identify students with behavior and attendance issues; and

WHEREAS, For his hard work and committed service, David A. Tomidy was the recipient of several honors including the 2010 Oasis Mission Make a Difference Award, the 2009 Recovery Community Award, and the 2016 Sara Tullar Fasoldt Leadership and Humanitarian Award; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to giving back to his community, David A. Tomidy has served as Chairman of Board of Trustees since 2010 at Tabernacle Baptist Church; he also taught Sunday School and Youth groups for 20 years, and is the ex-President of International Board of Approved Basketball Officials, a position he held for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Anne, and their two children, Jessica and Greg, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, For the past 45 years, David A. Tomidy rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Oneida County Probation Department; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as Interim Probation Director, David A. Tomidy served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure with the Oneida County Probation Department, David A. Tomidy earned the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend David A. Tomidy upon the occasion of retiring after 45 years of distinguished service to the Oneida County Probation Department, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David A. Tomidy.