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Senate Resolution No. 1595

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Thomas P. Diana, business owner, retired police officer, 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 this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Thomas P. Diana, noting the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Diana of Shrub Oak, New York, passed away on January 5, 2024, at the age of 66; and

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Diana was a third generation Shrub Oak resident and a proud graduate of Lakeland High School

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Diana was a retired Westchester County Police Officer and small business owner, who was first elected to the Yorktown Town Board in 2015; as a member of the Town Board, Thomas P. Diana founded Yorktown Against Heroin, which raised funds for "Dallas," the Yorktown Police Department's drug detection canine; and

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Diana became supervisor of the Town of Yorktown on January 1, 2023, when then-Yorktown Town Supervisor Matt Slater was elected to the New York State Assembly; Thomas P. Diana was elected to his first full term as Yorktown Town Supervisor on November 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Diana was a member of the Elks Lodge No. 2324 of Yorktown Heights, New York, and the Sons of American Legion Squadron 1009; and

WHEREAS, Thomas P. Diana is survived by his wife, Donna; his two children, Megan and Brianna; and four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Endowed with a friendly, humanistic spirit and imbued with a strong sense of public service, Thomas P. Diana leaves behind a legacy that 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 P. Diana, a distinguished citizen, and a 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 P. Diana.