

## 2009-K1012

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Mike Salvia upon the occasion of receiving the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation's 2010 Phil "Topsy" Moresco Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the efforts of individuals who distinguish themselves in service to the cause of working men and women in the State of New York; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Mike Salvia upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation's Phil "Topsy" Moresco Award; and WHEREAS, He will be honored at the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation's Fourth Annual Labor Heroes Celebration, to be held at The Meadowbrook in New Windsor, New York on Friday, February 26, 2010; and WHEREAS, Mike Salvia, of CWA Local 1120, a man of singular distinction, is receiving this most prestigious award from the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation in recognition of his unwavering commitment and significant contributions to the community as a labor activist and area leader; and WHEREAS, Mike Salvia, the current President of Communications Workers of America (CWA) Local 1120 and Secretary Treasurer of the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation, has long been a leader in his union and local; since 2000, he has served in a number of capacities, including as Shop Steward, Business Agent, and Executive Vice President, working on behalf of his members; and WHEREAS, Previous to serving at Local 1120, Mike Salvia was a member of CWA Local 1107 in Rockland County and served as a New York City Police Officer for 12 years prior to joining CWA; and WHEREAS, Mike Salvia is a lifetime student, learning not only from his

experiences, but from formal education as well; he has earned one master's and two bachelor's degrees from Mount Saint Mary College and continues to attend programs and take additional courses which will further enhance his ability to serve his membership and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mike Salvia has long had a strong desire to make his community a better place; an accomplished pilot, he donates his personal plane and his time to Angel Flight, a not-for-profit organization that provides air travel to children with medical needs; he also flies for Animal Rescue Flights, which assists animals in need by transporting them from overpopulated shelters to loving families; and

WHEREAS, He has, in addition, donated his time, talent, and resources to the SIDS Foundation, Boy and Girl Scouts of America, Juvenile Diabetes, the American Red Cross, the Greater New York Blood Bank, New York State Special Olympics, and the American Heart Association; and

WHEREAS, Mike Salvia resides in Poughkeepsie; with him throughout have been his wife, Prin, and their five children, all of whom are proud to be a part of his life and rejoice in his many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Mike Salvia has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Mike Salvia upon the occasion of receiving the Hudson Valley

Area Labor Federation's Phil "Topsy" Moresco Award on February 26, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mike Salvia, 157 Van Wagner Road, Poughkeepsie, New York

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