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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Lon Tytell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellow Recognition Award by the Warwick Lions Club

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those renowned organizations which devote their energy, resources and thoughtful care to improving the quality of life in their communities and whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of 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 congratulate Lon Tytell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellow Recognition Award by the Warwick Lions Club; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at a special awards dinner to be held on Thursday, May 20, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Warwick Lions Club is part of the largest service organization in the world; Lions Club International is an organization deeply committed to meeting the challenges of public service; and

WHEREAS, The goal of the Warwick Lions Club and the entire Lions Organization is to evaluate the needs within the community, without regard to politics, religion or race, and to support humanitarian projects in response to those needs; and

WHEREAS, The Melvin Jones Fellow Recognition Award is the Lions Club International Foundation's highest honor; it is given in recognition of commitment to humanitarian service; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Warwick Lions Club for almost 30 years, and its President for two terms, Lon Tytell also served as the Secretary of the Club for 13 years and as a member of the Board for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Previously, Lon Tytell received the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award for exemplary service, the highest award conferred in Lions Multiple District 20; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Lon Tytell has served on numerous community volunteer committees and organizations, including: as Vice President of the Orange County Sight and Hearing Committee; Vice President, President, District and Regional Director of the Warwick Jaycees; and for fundraisers and walkathons to benefit St. Anthony Community Hospital and the Community Center; and

WHEREAS, A teacher for 35 years in the Warwick Valley Central School District prior to his retirement, Lon Tytell served as a member of the Warwick Valley Teachers Association Scholarship Committee for 30 years, and represented the Warwick District in the Orange-Ulster BOCES Regional Social Studies project for Grade 4 that resulted in the textbook, ORANGE COUNTY: A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME; and

WHEREAS, Lon Tytell served 23 years in the United States Army Reserve and retired as a Sergeant First Class; and

WHEREAS, Individuals of singular distinction in leadership positions in exemplary organizations like the Lions Club merit the grateful praise of the community and of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Lon Tytell has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Lon Tytell upon the occasion of his designation as recipi-

ent of the Melvin Jones Fellow Recognition Award by the Warwick Lions Club; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lon Tytell.