

## 2011-K330

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the tragic and untimely death of New York State Trooper Kevin Patrick Dobson Sr. on Saturday, March 26, 2011

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to convey its grateful appreciation and heartfelt regret in recognition of the loss of a courageous police officer who dedicated his purposeful life and career in faithful service to his family, community and the New York State Police; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sadness that this Legislative Body records the passing of New York State Trooper Kevin Patrick Dobson Sr., who made the ultimate sacrifice on Saturday, March 26, 2011, while faithfully executing his responsibilities, serving with dedication, loyalty and compassion, and who devoted his purposeful life and career to serve and protect; and

WHEREAS, Born in Buffalo, New York, on July 5, 1967, Kevin P. Dobson graduated from Iroquois Central High School in Elma, New York, and went on to further his education at Erie Community College; and

WHEREAS, Kevin P. Dobson of Grand Island, New York, began his career with the New York State Police on April 30, 1997; he worked out of SP Warsaw, SP Holland, SP Boston and was assigned to SP Clarence, the Interstate Patrol, in June of 2003; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Kevin P. Dobson was a leader in Drug Interdiction arrests amongst his peers; he volunteered to work Operation Impact in high crime areas in Buffalo and was a Field Training Officer who was responsible for training new Troopers; and

WHEREAS, He pursued training to become a Child Seat Technician and installed over 100 child safety seats for parents in the Western New York area; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his career as a New York State Trooper, 43-year-old Kevin P. Dobson was a dedicated volunteer; he gave of his time and energies to Special Olympics and participated in both the Torch Run and the annual Polar Plunge to raise money for the Games; and

WHEREAS, A decorated 14-year veteran of the New York State Police, this outstanding Trooper received numerous awards and accolades includ-

ing Troop and Zone commendations and the 2007 Knights of Columbus Public Safety Award; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Kevin P. Dobson Sr. lived his life with great dignity and genuine grace, always demonstrating a deep and continuing concern for the welfare of others in the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Kevin P. Dobson Sr. is survived by his partner, Bridgett Hastings; one son, Kevin Jr.; two daughters, Jamie and Brooke; a stepson, Andrew Hastings; his father, Richard Sr.; and one brother, Richard Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Trooper Kevin P. Dobson Sr. leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the untimely death of New York State Trooper Kevin P. Dobson Sr., noting the significance of his contributions on behalf of the citizens of this noble Empire State, and expressing its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Trooper Kevin Patrick Dobson Sr.