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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the life and service of Rocky Devereaux

WHEREAS, The character of community life in this Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to serving others; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge, remember, and pay tribute to those individuals who have demonstrated consistent excellence while bringing great pride to the citizens of our great State; one such individual was Rocky Devereaux, who left this life on October 4, 2010; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Lakeland, Rocky Devereaux graduated from Solvay High School, and then faithfully served in the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict; and

WHEREAS, Rocky Devereaux retired from New Venture Gear in 2005, after serving 30 years with the company; and

WHEREAS, Rocky Devereaux had served as a firefighter for 15 years with the Lakeside Fire Department, and his last act was a selfless one; and WHEREAS, In the course of assisting his neighbor whose house caught fire, Rocky Devereaux suffered a heart attack which led to his premature death; and

WHEREAS, Rocky Devereaux's life and service are remembered by family, friends, and members of his community to whom he contributed so greatly; and

WHEREAS, Rocky Devereaux is survived by his loving wife of 38 years, Lorraine; his son, Edwin; daughter-in-law, Lisa; grandsons, Karmen, Justin, Brayden, and Mason; three sisters, Joan, Carol, and Bonnie; a brother, Thomas; and his Aunt Marion; as well as several nieces and nephews; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the life and service of Rocky Devereaux; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Rocky Devereaux.