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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Joseph W. Ceurter, 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 the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Walter Ceurter, a life-long resident of Berkshire, New York, died on Sunday, November 16, 2014, at the age of 87; and

WHEREAS, The son of the late Peter Cisco and Magdalene (Klossner) Ceurter, Joseph W. Ceurter was born on March 28, 1927; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1949 to 1952; and

WHEREAS, Following the completion of his military service, Joseph W. Ceurter worked diligently for 30 years as a Rural Route Mail Carrier for Newark Valley and Berkshire; he also served as the Building Inspector for Newark Valley, Berkshire and Richford; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Walter Ceurter distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; he was a dedicated member of the Glenn A. Warner VFW Post 1371 in Owego, and served as a Military Ritual Honor Guard Team; furthermore, he was an avid hunter and carpenter, known for his many talents and abilities; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Walter Ceurter's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his wife, Carolyn Virginia (Shrauger) Ceurter and his brothers George and John, Joseph Walter Ceurter is survived by his children, Anita (Charles Jr.) Richmond, Clifford "Yogi" (Kathy)

Ceurter, and Ronald Ceurter; his sister, Dorothy Foux; his sisters-in-law, Kay Ceurter and Ethel Ceurter; and his six grandchildren, Bethann, Lisa, Jodi, Magdalene, Avery and Leila; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Joseph Walter Ceurter 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Joseph W. Ceurter, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Joseph W. Ceurter.