

## 2015-J502

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Patrick Casilio, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achiever of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Patrick Casilio, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achiever of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Clarence, New York, Patrick Casilio, Jr. is a leader and role model for his community; his passion and active dedication to the town he grew up in has created a legacy to be remembered; and

WHEREAS, As the oldest of five children, Patrick Casilio, Jr.'s leadership and philanthropic ways began at an early age and were instilled by his father, Patrick Casilio, Sr.; when he was just 19 years old he became an active member of the Clarence Volunteer Fire Department, where he served as Assistant Chief and Chief for several years; today, he still remains an integral part of the Department; and

WHEREAS, In 1990, Patrick Casilio, Jr. displayed an immense selfless act of bravery when responding to a fire call; after receiving a call about two police officers that were shot and wounded during an altercation with a gunman, he rushed to the scene, and drove his car in between the gunman and one of the wounded officers, heroically saving the officer's life; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Casilio, Jr. has justly received numerous awards, including Fireman of the Year, a Public Service Medal from the New York State Bar Association, and the Citizen of the Year Award from the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, A faithful member of the Our Lady of Peace Church in Clarence, Patrick Casilio, Jr. serves as an Usher and was a past Treasurer of the Holy Names Society; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Casilio, Jr. is also a coach for the Clarence Girls Softball League and served as President on the Clarence Sports Park Association; currently he acts as a member of the Boards of Directors for the Clarence Rotary Foundation, the Brother's of Mercy Foundation, and the ECMC Lifetime Foundation; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, Patrick Casilio, Jr. was elected a Clarence Town Councilman; during his tenure in this position he was appointed Deputy Supervisor, and oversaw several programs to help improve the safety of the town, which included spearheading the creation of the Public Safety Department; he is also an active member of the Erie County Sheriff's Reserve; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Casilio, Jr. has always taken an active part of any community to which he belongs; he has given of his time, knowledge and resources to help various organizations and causes to reach their goals; and

WHEREAS, In addition to all of his accomplishments, Patrick Casilio, Jr. holds the position of Chief Executive Officer at Casilio Companies, a real estate and construction company founded by his father in 1965; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Patrick Casilio, Jr.

has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor, and has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of over 30 years,

Susan, and his three daughters, Catherine, Christine, and Carolyn, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Patrick Casilio, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achiever of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Patrick Casilio, Jr.