

## 2015-J512

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Chief Donald Wolanin upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Whitestown Police Department

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Chief Donald Wolanin upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Whitestown Police Department; he will officially retire from this esteemed position on Wednesday, September 10, 2014, after more than four decades of police service; and

WHEREAS, Chief Donald Wolanin began his illustrious career in law enforcement in 1973, working as a Police Officer for the New York Mills Police Department; during this time, he also served as a School Bus Driver for the New York Mills School District; and

WHEREAS, For more than 25 years, Chief Donald Wolanin has served the Whitestown community; he began as a Police Officer with the Department in 1988, and climbed the ranks to the revered Chief of Police, a position he has held since 2002; and

WHEREAS, Driven by his commitment to do what's best for the community, Chief Donald Wolanin has served the people of Whitestown with an unwavering passion and dedication; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his steadfast commitment to the Whitestown community, Chief Donald Wolanin honorably served in the United States Army Reserves, where he retired as a Command Sergeant Major in 2000; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his loving wife and two wonderful sons, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Chief Donald Wolanin upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Whitestown Police Department, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chief Donald Wolanin.