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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mount Pleasant Police Officer Daniel Franco for saving the life of a 23-year-old male who had overdosed

WHEREAS, The quality and sanctity of community life are cherished values, worthy of safeguarding, and this Legislative Body is moved to honor those individuals who serve to preserve and protect such values, lauding particularly their unwavering courage and dedication in the daily performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize the caring concern and heroic acts of those exemplary police officers who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, and in doing so, help others to avert life-threatening danger; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mount Pleasant Police Officer Daniel Franco for saving the life of a 23-year-old male who had overdosed on heroin; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of West Lake High School, Daniel Franco received his law enforcement training at the Westchester County Zone 3 Police Academy in Valhalla, New York; and

WHEREAS, In January of 2008, Police Officer Daniel Franco began his law enforcement career with the Mount Pleasant Police Department, and is currently assigned to its Patrol Division; and

WHEREAS, On January 5, 2015, Police Officer Daniel Franco responded to the call of an unresponsive male at a home in Valhalla, New York; he found the young man not breathing and losing color in his face which due to his training he recognized as signs of a heroin overdose; and

WHEREAS, Police Officer Daniel Franco took immediate action, locating the NARCAN kit in his patrol car and administering two milligrams of naloxone; due to his quick and astute actions, within seconds after the

drug was administered, the young man began breathing and regaining color in his face; and

WHEREAS, After two more milligrams of naloxone were administered by a paramedic, the 23-year-old young man opened his eyes and soon began communicating with the officers; and

WHEREAS, Even though this situation could have been a dire one, Police Officer Daniel Franco's heroic efforts helped save the life of the young man; he is truly an inspiration to his fellow officers for his courage and decisive action; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated police officers 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; and

WHEREAS, Police Officer Daniel Franco, through his spontaneous and heroic actions, demonstrated his character and his compassion for the welfare of others, personifying, by virtue of his actions, the collective concern of public servants across the community of the State of New York who respond when others are in need; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mount Pleasant Police Officer Daniel Franco for saving the life of a 23-year-old male who had overdosed; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mount Pleasant Police Officer Daniel Franco.