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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Allen R. Dunham, 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, It is with great sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Allen R. Dunham who died on December 15, 2014, at the age of 78; and

WHEREAS, Born on July 15, 1936, in Hammond, New York, Allen R. Dunham graduated from Hammond Central School in 1953 and was the Valedictorian of his class; and

WHEREAS, He received his Associate degree in Applied Science, graduating with honors from Canton Agricultural and Technical College in 1955; and

WHEREAS, Allen R. Dunham owned and operated his family's farm for many years, retiring in 2011; and

WHEREAS, He was a lifetime member of the Hammond Presbyterian Church where he served several terms as an Elder, and sang in the choir where he was noted for his deep bass voice; and

WHEREAS, Allen R. Dunham was a member of the Hammond All Stars 4-H Club and was responsible for the dairy judging programs for 30 years; he was also elected to the St. Lawrence County Cooperative Extension Board of Directors, serving as its President; and

WHEREAS, He was elected to the St. Lawrence County Legislature where he served for 12 years, serving on several committees; he was also a member of the Hammond Planning Board and the St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District; and

WHEREAS, He will be a long remembered for his dedication to his community and deep love for his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Allen R. Dunham is survived by his wife, Catherine, son, Richard, daughter, Megan, two sisters and two grandchildren, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Allen R. Dunham 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 Allen R. Dunham, 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 Allen R. Dunham.