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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring James D. Hoffman upon the occasion of being selected as a 2015 honoree by the Seneca Waterways Council Boy Scouts of America on April 30, 2015

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor James D. Hoffman upon the occasion of being selected as a 2015 honoree by the Seneca Waterways Council Boy Scouts of America to be celebrated at its 40th Annual Youth Power Dinner on Thursday, April 30, 2015, at the Belhurst Castle, Geneva, New York; and

WHEREAS, James D. Hoffman proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy from 1967-1970; following the completion of his military service, he attended the Rochester Institute of Technology, graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, In 1973, James D. Hoffman became a member of the New York State Police, serving in Williamson, New York, as a trooper on road patrol; his dedication and professionalism led to his promotion to Sergeant in 1979; he was ranked first in a statewide State Police promotional exam for the position of Lieutenant in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Following his promotion to Lieutenant, James D. Hoffman attended the F.B.I. National Academy for Police Officers in Quantico, Virginia, and was awarded a fellowship for graduate school at University at Albany, State University of New York, where he graduated with a Master's degree in Criminal Justice in 1986; and

WHEREAS, During an illustrious career with the New York State Police

spanning three decades, James D. Hoffman served in such major assignments as Internal Affairs, Major-Traffic Services, and as Zone Commander; and

WHEREAS, James D. Hoffman also performed such important duties as writing and administering entrance and promotional examinations, and was a Certified Instructor for Internal Investigations and Officer-In-Charge of Women's Issues in the Analysis Unit; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, James D. Hoffman retired from the State Police as Staff Inspector, and continued his service to the public by serving as Supervisor for the Town of Williamson; and

WHEREAS, Now in his fifth term, Supervisor James D. Hoffman has been instrumental in making his community a better place to live; his leadership has led to sound fiscal management in the form of lowered local tax rates, and an increase in the town's bond rating; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this remarkable man was unanimously elected by his fellow supervisors as Chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors in 2006, and has subsequently been reelected to this position every year since; and

WHEREAS, With a sense of civic responsibility, James D. Hoffman serves as Vice-Chair of the Wayne County Industrial Development Agency, and as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Genesee Transportation Council; he is also a member of numerous boards of directors including the Genesee Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council and the New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Council; and

WHEREAS, James D. Hoffman has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Williamson Chamber of Commerce and the Williamson Rotary Club, James D. Hoffman is also highly active in the American Legion as Adjutant at the Williamson American Legion Post No. 394, and as an instructor and member of the faculty at the New York

State American Legion College; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor James D. Hoffman upon the occasion of being selected as a 2015 honoree by the Seneca Waterways Council Boy Scouts of America on April 30, 2015, and to wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James D. Hoffman.