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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring James "Jim" D. Hoffman upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as Supervisor for the Town of Williamson and the Chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor James "Jim" D. Hoffman upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as Supervisor for the Town of Williamson and the Chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors to be celebrated at a luncheon on Tuesday, December 15, 2015, at the Wayne County Courthouse in Lyons, New York; and

WHEREAS, "Jim" 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, "Jim" 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, "Jim" D. Hoffman attended The F.B.I. National Academy for Police Officers in Quantico, Virginia, and was awarded a fellowship for graduate school at SUNY Albany where he earned a Master's degree in Criminal Justice in 1986; and

WHEREAS, During an illustrious career with the New York State Police spanning three decades, Trooper "Jim" D. Hoffman served in such major

assignments as Internal Affairs, Major-Traffic Services, and as Zone Commander; and

WHEREAS, Trooper "Jim" 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, "Jim" 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, New York; and

WHEREAS, For the past 12 years, Supervisor "Jim" D. Hoffman rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Williamson community; his leadership was instrumental in making his town a better place to live, as well as for providing 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 served the people of Wayne County with honor, loyalty, and distinction after being unanimously elected by his fellow supervisors as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in 2006, and subsequently, gaining reelection to this position every year since; and

WHEREAS, With a sense of civic responsibility, "Jim" D. Hoffman also served as Vice-Chair of the Wayne County Industrial Development Agency, and as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Genesee Transportation Council; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he served as 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, "Jim" 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, "Jim" 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, In his official acts, "Jim" D. Hoffman was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; he has earned the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those public servants who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor "Jim" D. Hoffman upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished public service, and to wish him all the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

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