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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Anderson Wise, 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 Anderson Wise, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community, on December 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Anderson Wise is remembered as a mentor, role model and community leader across Northern New York where he raised his family and founded one of the region's leading law firms; and

WHEREAS, Anderson Wise, son of the late New York State Senator Henry Wise, graduated from Virginia Military Institute and the University of Virginia Law School, and served in the United States Army, rising to the rank of Captain; and

WHEREAS, Anderson Wise founded Schwerzmann & Wise P.C., one of the North Country's leading law firms, concentrating in business, real estate, and trusts and estate planning and administration, and including among its clients, the Thousand Island Bridge Authority and the Watertown Savings Bank; and

WHEREAS, He also served the people of the State of New York as assistant counsel to New York State Senate Majority Leader Warren Anderson; and

WHEREAS, Anderson Wise gave generously to many charitable organizations, and for more than 20 years, served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Northern New York Community Foundation, as well as its President for many years, helping to educate the people of the North

Country about the agency's importance and the role it could play in making a difference across the region; and

WHEREAS, He was also an active member and officer in the Ives Hill Golf and Country Club and the Black River Valley Club; and

WHEREAS, Above all else, Anderson was an individual who cherished his family and will be fondly remembered as a loving son, brother, husband, father of four sons, R. Halsey Wise, Mark Jennings Wise, David Anderson Wise and Graham Douglas Wise, and grandfather; and

WHEREAS, He 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 Anderson Wise, distinguished citizen and devoted member of the Greater Watertown community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Anderson Wise.