

## 2015-J4284

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Leonard K. Pero upon the occasion of his designation as Citizen of the Year by the Evans-Brant Chamber of Commerce on April 2, 2016

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Leonard K. Pero upon the occasion of his designation as Citizen of the Year by the Evans-Brant Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its Annual President's Award and Recognition Dinner on Saturday, April 2, 2016, at Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center, Angola, New York; and

WHEREAS, Leonard K. Pero 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 lifelong resident of the Town of Brant, Leonard K. Pero is a true asset to his community, serving in such capacities as local businessman, farmer, coach, author, radio DJ, and postal worker; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Leonard K. Pero was past Communications Officer and Secretary of the Brant Volunteer Fire Company for 9 years, and served the Town of Brant as Planning Board Chairman and Councilman; and

WHEREAS, Currently serving as Town Supervisor, Leonard K. Pero has been instrumental in moving the Town of Brant in a more positive direction; he currently sits on 18 Erie County and State committees where he

is Chairman of four and Vice Chairman of four others; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Leonard K. Pero and his steadfast promotion of green living, the Town of Brant is recognized environmentally as a leader; he is also credited with saving the Parish of Our Lady National Catholic Church, where he serves as Chairman and Lector, from closing; and

WHEREAS, The proud recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Leonard K. Pero was honored as an inductee and recipient of the Lake Shore Central Wall of Fame, and as Past President of the Association of Erie County Governments two years in a row; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Leonard K. Pero has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his daughter, Amanda (Aric), who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Leonard K. Pero has displayed throughout his life; 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 Leonard K. Pero upon the occasion of his designation as Citizen of the Year by the Evans-Brant Chamber of Commerce on April 2, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leonard K. Pero.