

## 2015-J4301

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Raymond A. Susice, 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, Raymond A. Susice of St. Regis Falls, New York, died on Thursday, February 11, 2016, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known as Ray, Raymond A. Susice was born on March 31, 1930, in Santa Clara to the late Julius and Virginia (Barcomb) Susice; and

WHEREAS, Raymond A. Susice distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of the area, Raymond A. Susice graduated from St. Regis Falls High School and earned his one year certificate while attending a trade school for mechanics; he participated in the building of the Niagara Falls Dam prior to the start of his illustrious 40 year career as a Mill Wright at ALCOA; and

WHEREAS, On September 13, 1958, Raymond A. Susice was married to Anita E. Conley at St. Ann's Church in St. Regis Falls; the couple shared a blessed loving union of 56 years built upon faith and family before Anita's passing in January of 2015; and

WHEREAS, Raymond A. Susice's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering love and dedication for his community, Raymond A. Susice served the Town of Waverly in many capaci-

ties; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man was a member of the Maple Leaf Housing Council and the Solid Waste Management board, where he organized for grants and was instrumental in the planning and development of the building renovations in St. Regis Falls; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Raymond A. Susice served on the Senior Citizens Board of Directors, and was a member of St. Ann's Church, Benz Pond Club, SRF Sportsman's Club, Red Tavern Club as well as an honorary member of the Everton Club, Knights of Columbus and SRF Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, An avid outdoorsman, Raymond A. Susice enjoyed hunting, fishing, trapping, and four-wheeling, but especially adored times spent at camp with his family and friends; he truly filled his 85 years with adventures and memories to last a lifetime, and he will be greatly missed by all those who were lucky enough to know him; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his siblings, Eugene, Joseph, Matilda, Richard, Norman, Blanch, Ethel, Jennie, Catherine, Francis, and Edward, Raymond A. Susice is survived by his three children, Richard (Norma), Sonya (Gar) and Michael; six grandchildren, Anthony, Ryan, Jordan, Kevin, Jason and Joseph; a great-grandson, Mason; and his sister, Joyce; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Raymond A. Susice 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 Raymond A. Susice, 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 Raymond A. Susice.