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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Allen Covert upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year Award by the Seneca County Office for the Aging on May 6, 2016

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Allen Covert upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year Award by the Seneca County Office for the Aging, to be celebrated on Friday, May 6, 2016, in Waterloo, New York; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Allen Covert has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to his community and, consequently, been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Allen Covert 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, Allen Covert embodies the principles and ideals that make us proud to be Americans; for four years, he proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Today, Allen Covert continues to honor and support his country and fellow veterans by volunteering his time and energy to both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), where he cooks meals on Friday nights for the members of the VFW in Waterloo, New York; in addition, he actively assists with various groups' fundraising

efforts throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, This well-respected gentleman is also a vital member of the Legion Riders, a group which rides their motorcycles in support of our Nation's veterans and their families; the Legion Riders are often on hand to welcome home returning troops and can be seen riding en mass at parades such as the Memorial Day Parade held each year in Waterloo; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable organization also directs numerous fundraisers to raise funds and awareness for such worthwhile causes as children's hospitals, scholarships and wounded veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, A true humanitarian, Allen Covert has always lived by the Golden Rule, devoting his life to helping senior citizens, veterans, their families and anyone in need of a helping hand or a kind word; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Allen Covert has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Allen Covert 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Allen Covert upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year Award by the Seneca County Office for the Aging on May 6, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Allen Covert.