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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending outgoing President Jim Fregelette upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Association of School Business Officials

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of those outstanding educational leaders, whose dedication and achievements have been instrumental in developing character and academic excellence in the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend outgoing President Jim Fregelette upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Association of School Business Officials; and

WHEREAS, Jim Fregelette earned both his Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering and a Master's degree in Education from the University of Buffalo; he also completed a Certificate in Advance Studies in Educational Administration from Buffalo State College; and

WHEREAS, For the past 25 years, Jim Fregelette has been an integral part of Erie 1 BOCES where he has worked in the Finance Legislation and Policy Services assisting school business officials and superintendents with state aid and legislation issues; and

WHEREAS, Currently, this esteemed educational leader serves as Executive Director of Finance and Information Systems at Erie 1 BOCES, a position he has ably held for the past 11 years; he is also a member on the BOCES Business Officials Steering Committee and the Western New York

Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Prior to being elected to the Board of Directors for New York State Association of School Business Officials (ASBO), Jim Fregelette was Chair of the Membership Committee where he had served as a member for eight years; and

WHEREAS, As President of the Board of Directors for the New York State Association of School Business Officials (NYSASBO), Jim Fregelette rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to his organization; and

WHEREAS, During his illustrious tenure, President Jim Fregelette was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; earned the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of public education by providing their skills and talents to our schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Jim Fregelette for his distinguished service as President of the New York State Association of School Business Officials during the 2015-2016 school year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jim Fregelette.