Assembly Resolution No. 456

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MOURNING the death of Kevin Wheelock, 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 this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wheelock of Ilion, New York, died on Saturday, June 5, 2021, at the age of 62; and

WHEREAS, Born on November 30, 1958, Kevin Wheelock was the son of the late Howard and Doris (Crim) Wheelock; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Ilion, Kevin Wheelock and the former Cathy Eaker were united in marriage on April 29, 1989, at the Ilion Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to his profession, Kevin Wheelock, affectionately known as Wheels, was a working supervisor at Mohawk DPW, the esteemed position from which he retired; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his

community, Kevin Wheelock was an active member of both the Ilion and Frankfort Volunteer Fire Departments; he also served as President of the NNYP & DTCA and NYSP & DTCA; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Kevin Wheelock was a member of the Sons of the American Legion, Ilion Elks Lodge No. 1444, Ilion Knights of Columbus, St. Francis and FOE; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary outdoorsman also loved camping and boating and would often combine his loves into weekends with friends and family; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wheelock is survived by his wife, Cathy; three sons, Jason (Heidi), Jim (Stephanie), Brett (Dana); and one daughter, Jennifer (Joe); and 14 grandchildren; as well as his siblings and many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wheelock's infinite selflessness and benevolence will shine on through his family's vivid and happy memories; his insight and strength will forever serve as a beacon of love, light and hope to the countless lives he touched; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Kevin Wheelock leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all who were privileged to have known and loved such an amazing man; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Kevin Wheelock, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Kevin Wheelock.