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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Arthur C. Hall, 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, Arthur Hall died on Saturday, November 3, 2012, at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Hall was born on May 25, 1929, in Middletown, New York, to the late Richard O. and M. Dorothy Creeden Hall of Ridgebury; having graduated from Middletown High School in 1947, Arthur Hall began his career with GLF, now Agway, Inc.; a year later he enlisted in the United States Army for a duration of three years, part of which was spent in Korea; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Hall attained the rank of Staff Sergeant, and having returned home after the military in 1951, he was transferred by GLF to Oneida, where he met the love of his life, Edda Anne Zeppieri; they were married in 1953 and had three children; and

WHEREAS, Arthur and Edda Hall celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary in August of 2012; his professional career brought him many promotions, culminating in his position of manager of the Agway Distribution Center in Geneva; he retired from this position, having worked 41 years with Agway; during his retirement, he owned and operated the Powder Horn Gun Shop in Waterloo; and

WHEREAS, A lover of his work and a servant of his community, Arthur Hall was elected Alderman-at-Large on the first bi-partisan mayoral ticket in Port Jervis, New York; locally, he served as president of Geneva Growth and the International Managers' Council (IMC); and WHEREAS, Arthur Hall was a member of the Boards of Directors for the National Bank of Waterloo and Geneva General Hospital; for a time, he was also a member of the Finance Committee for St. Mary's Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated sportsman and conservationist, Arthur Hall served

as president of the Beaverbrook Hunting Club in downstate New York and later on the club's Board of Directors for many years; he was an early member of the Waterloo Rifle and Pistol Club, a member of the Federation of Sportsmen, and the NRA; and

WHEREAS, Strongly advocating for the protection of endangered wildlife, Arthur Hall was a founding member and served as the first president of Seneca White Deer, Inc.; most of all, he was a true family man; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Hall distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Hall's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his son, Mark Arthur Hall, Arthur Hall is survived by his wife, Edda; daughters, Gail and Linda; beloved grand-children, James, Matthew, Katherine, Daniel and Patrick; and his brother, Frank; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Arthur Hall 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 Arthur C. Hall, 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 Arthur C. Hall.