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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Shaun DiMino of the Town of Lancaster Police Department upon the occasion of capturing First Place in the Donald Kieffer Memorial Iron Man Challenge

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Shaun DiMino of the Town of Lancaster Police Department upon the occasion of capturing First Place in the Donald Kieffer Memorial Iron Man Challenge; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Erie County Tactical Task Force holds an annual competition and invites SWAT teams from Erie County and from counties throughout Western and Central New York to compete against one another in various events to test tactical related skills as well as build team camaraderie; and

WHEREAS, The final event of the competition is an individual event that focuses on job related skills with an emphasis on speed, physical endurance and shooting skill; this event is known as the "Iron Man Challenge"; and

WHEREAS, The Iron Man Challenge events include: ascending a repel tower, retrieving a tire attached to a rope hanging off the tower, retrieving a 35 pound ram and descending the tower, entering into the shoot house where targets are engaged with firearms and retrieving a rescue dummy and carrying or dragging it to the finish line; and WHEREAS, Accurate shooting and speed, with maximum safety, are critical to succeeding in the Iron Man Challenge event; and

WHEREAS, In fall 2012, Town of Lancaster Police Department Officer Shaun DiMino captured first place in the Donald Kieffer Memorial Iron Man Challenge held at the annual Erie County Tactical Task Force SWAT Competition; and

WHEREAS, Town of Lancaster Police Department Officer Shaun DiMino has served as a police officer for 11 years and been on the SWAT team for four years, and as a sniper on the team for three years; he is a firearms instructor, field training officer and accident reconstructionist; and

WHEREAS, Prior to joining the Town of Lancaster Police Department, Officer Shaun DiMino served for six years as a member of the Depew Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication and accomplishment which Town of Lancaster Police Department Officer Shaun DiMino has demonstrated in capturing first place in the Donald Kieffer Memorial Iron Man Challenge held at the annual Erie County Tactical Task Force SWAT Competition; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Shaun DiMino of the Town of Lancaster Police Department upon the

occasion of capturing First Place in the Donald Kieffer Memorial Iron Man Challenge; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Shaun DiMino of the Town of Lancaster Police Department.