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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Bruce A. Loertscher, 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, Bruce A. Loertscher of Wallkill, New York, died on Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at the age of 56; and

WHEREAS, Born on May 15, 1956, in Newburgh, New York, Bruce A. Loertscher was the son of Godfred J. and Helen (Williams) Loertscher; and

WHEREAS, On April 16, 1982, Bruce A. Loertscher married Judith in Newburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Plattekill, New York, Bruce A. Loertscher was the third generation to proudly run his family farm; after retiring from Yellow Freight, he became active in the local government of the town he loved; and

WHEREAS, Bruce A. Loertscher served as a member of the Plattekill Town Planning Board, Town Board, and since 2006, as Town Supervisor; at the time of his death, he held the esteemed position of Supervisor for the Town of Plattekill; and

WHEREAS, Bruce A. Loertscher distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Bruce A. Loertscher's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Always smiling and ready to offer a helping hand, Bruce A. Loertscher took pride in the wonderful community he had the privilege to serve; and

WHEREAS, Bruce A. Loertscher is survived by his wife, Judith Loertscher; and his two daughters and their fiancees, Deanna Loertscher and Matthew Rotjan, and Courtney Loertscher and Kyle Frano; as well as one

uncle, Walter Loertscher; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Bruce A. Loertscher 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 Bruce A. Loertscher, 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 Bruce A. Loertscher.