

*A proclamation submitted by Legislators Dixon, Lorigo, Mills & Rath*

**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
**LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY**  
**BUFFALO, N.Y., OCTOBER 24, 2019 A.D.**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT** *at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

***Proclaiming "First Responders Day" in Erie County***

**WHEREAS,** *individuals, both career and volunteer, from law enforcement, firefighters, emergency medical services, search and rescue personnel, 9-1-1 dispatchers, emergency management personnel, and other organizations in the public safety sector, come together as First Responders to protect and aid the public in the event of an emergency; and*

**WHEREAS,** *First Responders are our first and best defense against all emergencies that may threaten our communities, whatever their nature; and*

**WHEREAS,** *every day First Responders risk their own safety and personal property in the performance of their duties to protect our citizens; and*

**WHEREAS,** *First Responders are ready to aid people 24 hours a day, seven days a week, regardless of inclement weather or other hazards; and*

**WHEREAS,** *First Responders are a vital part of every community who maintain safety and order in times of crisis, and many also enhance their communities as volunteers for service organizations, churches, and schools; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the members of the various First Responder organizations undergo significant education, training and personal sacrifice in order to achieve the expertise required to respond to any type of emergency situation; and*

**WHEREAS,** *courage, selfless concern, dedication for others, and the duty to protect and serve are commonly held values among professional and volunteer First Responders.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** *that the Erie County Legislature pause in its deliberations to proclaim October 28, 2019, as "First Responders Day" in Erie County, and thank First Responders and all emergency personnel for their hard work and dedication to the residents of Erie County.*