

**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
**LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY**  
**BUFFALO, NY, JANUARY 16, 2020**

*Congratulating and Honoring*  
*Police Chief David Zack*  
*For his Dedicated Service with the Cheektowaga Police Department*

**WHEREAS**, *Police Chief David Zack*, father of two daughters and a lifelong Western New York resident was raised in the Town of Cheektowaga and attended Maryvale High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Zack earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Hilbert College, in Hamburg, N.Y., where he also served as an adjunct instructor in Forensic Science and Crime Scene Photography; and

**WHEREAS**, since joining the Cheektowaga Police Department in 1987, Zack came up through the ranks of Cheektowaga Police becoming elected as President of the Erie County Chiefs of Police Association, President of New York State Association of Chiefs of Police and a member of the Board of Governors of the International Association of Chiefs of Police; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2011, Zack was named Police Chief after serving over 20 years as a patrol supervisor and Detective Bureau Commander; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure as Chief, the department introduced the first Fair and Impartial Police Training program in the state; and

**WHEREAS**, under his leadership, the Cheektowaga Police Department received the National Federation for Just Communities Law Enforcement Leadership Award in 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, Zack has received a number of awards for new initiatives over the years, including the National Alliance for Mental Illness President's Award as a result of being a part of the creation of the first Crisis Intervention team in Erie County (2013); and

**WHEREAS**, Zack expanded his impact on law enforcement across New York State when he was appointed as Administrative Studies Consultant to law enforcement agencies by the state Division of Criminal Justice Services and was appointed by Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo to the New York State Municipal Police Training Council, among several other local, county and statewide committees and panels; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Police Chief Zack will be retiring from the Cheektowaga Police Department after 33 years of service and spent his last 9 years as Police Chief; and

**WHEREAS**, today we celebrate Police Chief David Zack on a job well done defending the Town of Cheektowaga and risking his life to protect the lives of others and we believe David will continue to represent Western New York taking on duties as the chief of police in Asheville, North Carolina.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor and congratulate *Police Chief David Zack* on his dedicated service to Town of Cheektowaga; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this Honorable Body recognize Mr. Zack for his exceptional service, commitment to public safety in protection and service to the residents, families and businesses in the Town of Cheektowaga as a member of the Cheektowaga Police Department and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

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**Hon. Timothy J. Meyers**  
*Majority Leader*  
*Erie County Legislator, 7<sup>th</sup> District*

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**Hon. Frank J. Todaro**  
*Erie County Legislator, 8<sup>th</sup> District*

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**Robert M. Graber**  
*Clerk of the Erie County Legislature*